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## **OBSERVATIONS**

### **(Regional and Statewide)**

#### **Consumer and Case Counts**

- At the end of the 2<sup>nd</sup> Quarter of FY'2007, DSS had 23,772 open cases (1,782 adoption cases and 21,990 clinical cases). A total of 76,931 consumers<sup>1</sup> (36,142 adults and 40,767 children) were being served. Case counts ranged from 2,912 in the Boston Region to 5,009 in the Southeastern Region. **(Table 1)**
- From the 1<sup>st</sup> Quarter to the 2<sup>nd</sup> Quarter of FY'2007, consumer counts and case counts increased 3% and 2%, respectively. The consumer population typically drops in the summer quarter (Q1) then rises and levels off during the school quarters (Q2-Q4). This seasonal pattern is related to the rise and fall of child abuse and neglect reports and investigations throughout the year. **(Figs. 1 and 2 on page 6, Figs. 20 and 21 on page 52)**

#### **Consumers in Placement**

- There were 10,661 individuals in placement on the last day of the 2<sup>nd</sup> Quarter of FY'2007. Included in this count are 9,203 children (less than 18 years old) and 1,458 young adults (18 to 23 years old). **(Table 1)**
- The placement population was distributed across DSS service regions as follows: 21% in the Western Region, 20% in the Southeastern Region, 18% in the Northeastern Region, 14% in the Metro Region, 13% in the Central Region, and 12% in the Boston Region. **(Table 1)**
- Statewide, 23% (or 9,203) of all children (less than 18 years old) with open cases were in placement. The regional statistics for children in placement as a proportion of all children receiving services were: 24% in the West, 22% in the Southeast, 22% in the Northeast, 22% in Metro, 21% in Central, and 20% in Boston. **(Table 2)**
- Of all children less than 18 years old receiving services, the Pittsfield, Fall River, and Coastal Area Offices had the highest proportions in placement. The lowest proportions of children in placement were found at the Park Street, Harbor, and North Central Area Offices. **(Table 2)**

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<sup>1</sup> Total consumers include all individuals with an active case status on the last day of the quarter and were in a case with an assessment for services or a service plan. These selection criteria exclude consumers not in placement who have an active case status that is pending the outcome of an investigation.

- From the 1<sup>st</sup> Quarter to the 2<sup>nd</sup> Quarter of FY'2007, the number of children in placement dropped 1% statewide. Regionally, the fluctuations ranged from a 4% drop in the Southeast to a 2% rise in Boston. **(Fig. 3)**

### **Children Not in Placement**

- From the 1<sup>st</sup> Quarter to the 2<sup>nd</sup> Quarter of FY'2007, counts of children not in placement increased 3% statewide. Regional gains ranged from less than 1% in Metro to 6% in the West. Quarterly counts of children not in placement (and to a lesser degree, children in placement) display a fluctuating pattern with a distinct drop during the first quarter (summer vacation). **(Fig. 4)**

### **Age, Sex, Race, and Preferred Language of Consumers**

- On the last day of the 2<sup>nd</sup> Quarter of FY'2007, the consumer population included 40,767 (53%) children less than 18 years old and 36,142 (47%) adults 18 years or older. Fifty-three percent of all consumers were identified as female, 46% as male, and 1% were unspecified as of the run-date. Thirty-nine percent (16,051) of all children were adolescents (12 to 17 years old). **(Table 1, Fig. 5)**
- The number of female children in the DSS caseload was approximately equal to the number of male children. In contrast, the ratio of female to male adults was 1.4:1. **(Fig. 5)**
- The statewide caseload was comprised of 56% White, 15% Black, 2% Asian, and less than 1% Native American consumers. Race was unspecified for 24% of the consumers. **(Table 3A, Figs. 6A and 6B)**
- Of the total consumer population, 23% (17,415 consumers) were of Hispanic origin. Regionally, the highest proportions of Hispanic consumers were in the West and Northeast. **(Table 3B, Figs. 6C and 6D)**
- The Boston Region's caseload was comprised of 47% Black and 22% White consumers (4,254 and 2,016 consumers, respectively). Asians were most prominent in the Northeast-- 6% of the caseload (854 consumers, mainly Cambodian). **(Table 3A, Figs. 6A and 6B)**

- A racial comparison of children receiving various services from DSS to children residing in Massachusetts is displayed in the following table. Black children and Hispanic children are over-represented at all stages in the DSS system. However, the actual extent of racial and ethnic disproportionality is not known given the number of children whose race and/or ethnicity has not been recorded.

| Race                             | Children Less than 18 Years Old |                          |   |                          |   |  |  |                                 |                                     |
|----------------------------------|---------------------------------|--------------------------|---|--------------------------|---|--|--|---------------------------------|-------------------------------------|
|                                  | State Census <sup>2</sup> 2000  | DSS Not in Care 12/31/06 | DSS All Substitute Care <sup>1</sup> 12/31/06 | DSS Foster Care 12/31/06 | DSS Congregate Care <sup>2</sup> 12/31/06 | DSS All Care w/Goal of Adoption 12/31/06 | DSS All Care w/Goal of Guardianship 12/31/06 | DSS Adoptions Legalized FY'2006 | DSS Guardianships Legalized FY'2006 |
| White                            | 79%                             | 57%                      | 60%   | 60%                      | 62%                                       | 58%                                      | 64%  | 64%                             | 61%                                 |
| Black                            | 7%                              | 16%                      | 18%   | 17%                      | 21%                                       | 17%                                      | 19%  | 16%                             | 21%                                 |
| Asian                            | 4%                              | 2%                       | 1%  | 1%                       | 1%  | 1%                                       | 1%   | <1%                             | 3%                                  |
| Native American                  | <1%                             | <1%                      | <1%   | <1%                      | <1%                                       | <1%                                      | ----   | <1%                             | <1%                                 |
| Pacific Islander                 | <1%                             | <1%                      | <1%   | <1%                      | ----                                      | ----                                     | <1%  | ----                            | ----                                |
| Multi-Racial                     | 4%                              | 3%                       | 5%  | 5%                       | 3%  | 7%                                       | 4%   | 6%                              | 2%                                  |
| Other/Unknown                    | 6%                              | 21%                      | 16%   | 16%                      | 13%                                       | 17%                                      | 12%  | 14%                             | 13%                                 |
| TOTAL %                          | 100%                            | 100%                     | 100%  | 100%                     | 100%                                      | 100%                                     | 100%   | 100%                            | 100%                                |
| TOTAL #                          | 1,500,064                       | 31,564                   | 9,203   | 6,763                    | 1,934                                     | 2,409                                    | 529  | 893                             | 518                                 |
| Hispanic Origin <sup>3</sup> Yes | 11%                             | 28%                      | 26%   | 26%                      | 24%                                       | 28%                                      | 22%  | 26%                             | 19%                                 |
| Hispanic Origin No               | 89%                             | 64%                      | 69%   | 68%                      | 73%                                       | 66%                                      | 74%  | 70%                             | 76%                                 |
| Hispanic Origin Unknown          | ----                            | 8%                       | 5%  | 6%                       | 4%  | 6%                                       | 4%   | 4%                              | 5%                                  |
| TOTAL %                          | 100%                            | 100%                     | 100%  | 100%                     | 100%                                      | 100%                                     | 100%   | 100%                            | 100%                                |

<sup>1</sup> Substitute Care includes: foster care, congregate care, on the run from placement, and non-referral locations such as hospitals and other state agencies. Despite placement with other state agencies, DSS retains custody of the child.

<sup>2</sup> Congregate Care includes: Group Home, Residential, and short-term residential placement (Stabilization and Rapid Reintegration, STARR).

<sup>2</sup> Kids Count census data online, *Race of Children by Age Group in the 2000 Census*, analysis of data from U.S. Census Bureau, 2000 Census Summary File 1 (Table P12A-P12G)

<sup>3</sup> Children of any race who are Hispanic

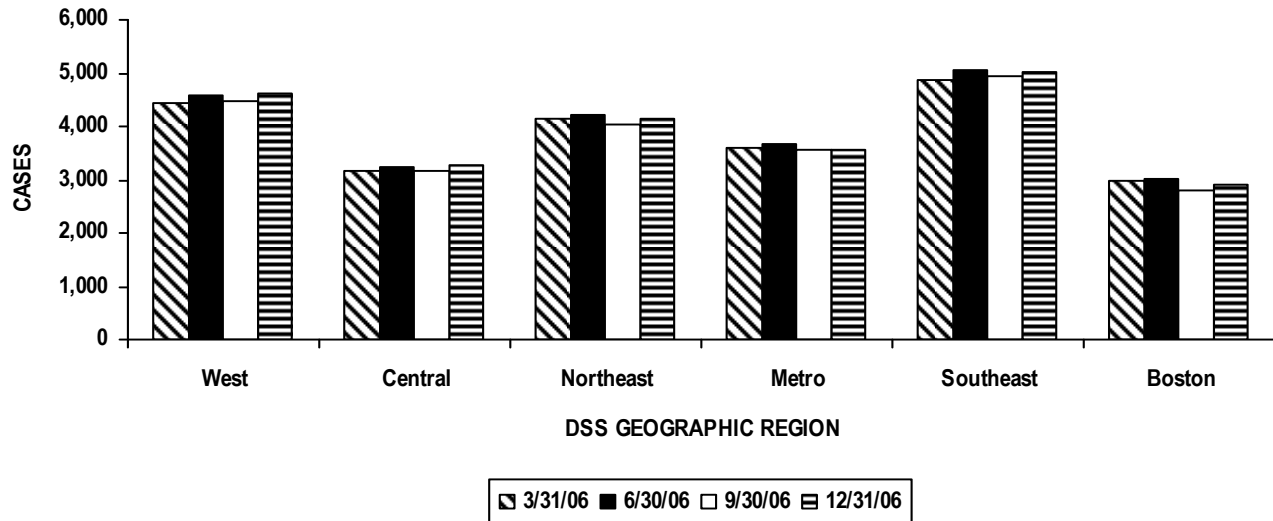
- The Northeastern, Western, and Boston Regions had the highest proportions (and numbers) of Spanish-speaking consumers, 8% (1,134 consumers), 7% (1,096), and 9% (820), respectively. Khmer (Cambodian) was the preferred language of 352 DSS consumers (<1%). Khmer-speaking consumers were mainly concentrated in the Northeast. Other languages and their regions of highest prevalence were Portuguese (Southeast and Metro), Haitian Creole (Metro, Boston, and Southeast), Cape Verdean Creole (Southeast and Boston), Vietnamese (Boston and Central), Chinese (Metro), and Lao (Northeast). **(Table 4)**



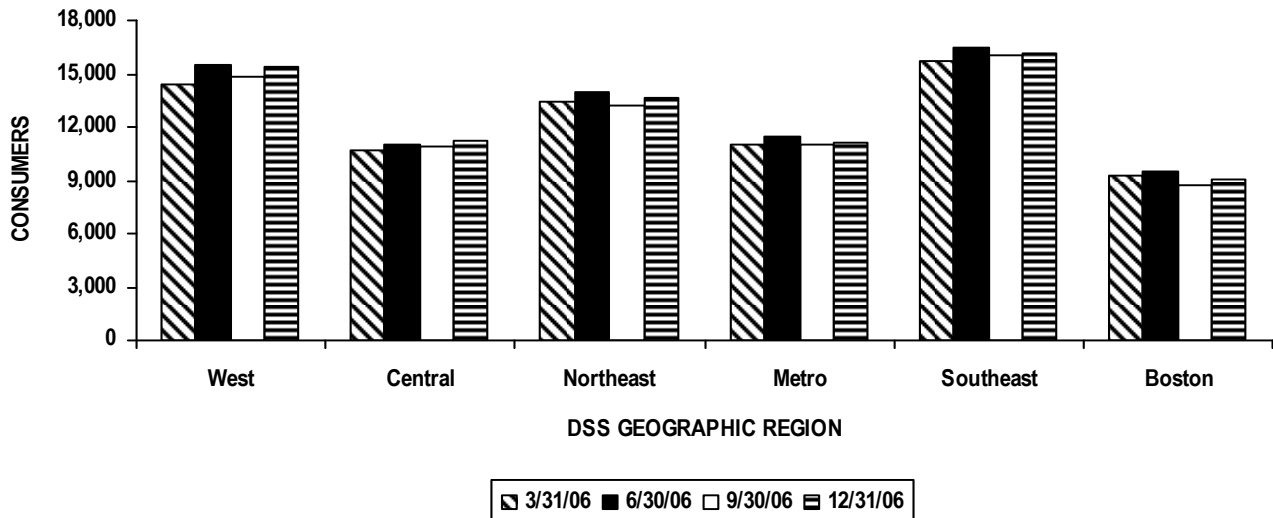
**TABLE 1. CASE AND CONSUMER COUNTS BY LOCATION AND DSS REGION: FY'2007, End of 2ND QUARTER (12/31/06)**

|  |                              |                                       |        | DSS Geographic Region |         |           |        |           |        |                          |                      |        |  |
|--|------------------------------|---------------------------------------|--------|-----------------------|---------|-----------|--------|-----------|--------|--------------------------|----------------------|--------|--|
|  |                              |                                       |        |                       |         |           |        |           |        | Adoption                 |                      |        |  |
| Case Counts:   |                              |                                       |        | West                  | Central | Northeast | Metro  | Southeast | Boston | Contracts <sup>(1)</sup> | Other <sup>(2)</sup> | Total  |  |
| Adoption   |                              |                                       |        | 380                   | 231     | 259       | 244    | 331       | 173    | 163                      | 1                    | 1,782  |  |
| Clinical   |                              |                                       |        | 4,245                 | 3,052   | 3,900     | 3,327  | 4,678     | 2,739  | 4                        | 45                   | 21,990 |  |
| Total  |                              |                                       |        | 4,625                 | 3,283   | 4,159     | 3,571  | 5,009     | 2,912  | 167                      | 46                   | 23,772 |  |
|  |                              |                                       |        |                       |         |           |        |           |        |                          |                      |        |  |
|  |                              |                                       |        |                       |         |           |        |           |        |                          |                      |        |  |
| Consumer Counts:   |                              |                                       |        |                       |         |           |        |           |        |                          |                      |        |  |
|  |                              |                                       |        |                       |         |           |        |           |        |                          |                      |        |  |
| Adults: <sup>(3)</sup>   |                              |                                       |        |                       |         |           |        |           |        |                          |                      |        |  |
|  | In Placement: <sup>(4)</sup> | Foster/Congregate Care <sup>(5)</sup> | 242    | 140                   | 305     | 225       | 266    | 235       | ---    | 18                       | 1,431                |        |  |
|  |                              | Other <sup>(6)</sup>                  | 4      | 1                     | 5       | 3         | 1      | 5         | ---    | ---                      | 19                   |        |  |
|  |                              | On the Run                            | 4      | 1                     |         |           |        | 3         | ---    | ---                      | 8                    |        |  |
|  |                              | Total in Placement                    | 250    | 142                   | 310     | 228       | 267    | 243       | ---    | 18                       | 1,458                |        |  |
|  | Not in Placemer              |                                       | 6,751  | 5,109                 | 6,031   | 5,191     | 7,697  | 3,895     | ---    | 10                       | 34,684               |        |  |
|  | Total Adults                 |                                       | 7,001  | 5,251                 | 6,341   | 5,419     | 7,964  | 4,138     | ---    | 28                       | 36,142               |        |  |
|  |                              |                                       |        |                       |         |           |        |           |        |                          |                      |        |  |
|  |                              |                                       |        |                       |         |           |        |           |        |                          |                      |        |  |
| Children:  |                              |                                       |        |                       |         |           |        |           |        |                          |                      |        |  |
|  | In Placement: <sup>(4)</sup> | Foster/Congregate Care <sup>(5)</sup> | 1,919  | 1,190                 | 1,486   | 1,195     | 1,752  | 885       | 247    | 23                       | 8,697                |        |  |
|  |                              | Other <sup>(6)</sup>                  | 53     | 31                    | 54      | 33        | 47     | 45        | ---    | ---                      | 263                  |        |  |
|  |                              | On the Run                            | 58     | 19                    | 45      | 30        | 34     | 57        | ---    | ---                      | 243                  |        |  |
|  |                              | Total in Placement                    | 2,030  | 1,240                 | 1,585   | 1,258     | 1,833  | 987       | 247    | 23                       | 9,203                |        |  |
|  | Not in Placemer              |                                       | 6,355  | 4,784                 | 5,712   | 4,401     | 6,332  | 3,960     | 17     | 3                        | 31,564               |        |  |
|  | Total Children               |                                       | 8,385  | 6,024                 | 7,297   | 5,659     | 8,165  | 4,947     | 264    | 26                       | 40,767               |        |  |
| Total  |                              |                                       | 15,386 | 11,279                | 13,642  | 11,083    | 16,134 | 9,089     | 264    | 54                       | 76,931               |        |  |
| <sup>(1)</sup> Licensed private adoption agencies that contract with DSS to provide case management services.  |                              |                                       |        |                       |         |           |        |           |        |                          |                      |        |  |
| <sup>(2)</sup> Includes primarily families served through Central Office contracts.  |                              |                                       |        |                       |         |           |        |           |        |                          |                      |        |  |
| <sup>(3)</sup> Adults are consumers 18 years or older.   |                              |                                       |        |                       |         |           |        |           |        |                          |                      |        |  |
| <sup>(4)</sup> Children and young adults in the care/custody of DSS. "Adults" in Foster/Residential Care are being transitioned to the Departments of Mental Health (DMH) and Mental Retardation (DMR) or are supported by DSS until graduation from a full-time school or vocational training program (through age 23 for a Bachelor's Degree). |                              |                                       |        |                       |         |           |        |           |        |                          |                      |        |  |
| <sup>(5)</sup> See Tables 5A, 5B, and 5C for a breakdown by type of placement.   |                              |                                       |        |                       |         |           |        |           |        |                          |                      |        |  |
| <sup>(6)</sup> "Other" includes locations such as hospitals and other state agencies.  |                              |                                       |        |                       |         |           |        |           |        |                          |                      |        |  |

**FIGURE 1. CASE COUNT BY DSS REGION**  
**(FY'2006, End of 3RD QUARTER to FY'2007, End of 2ND QUARTER)**

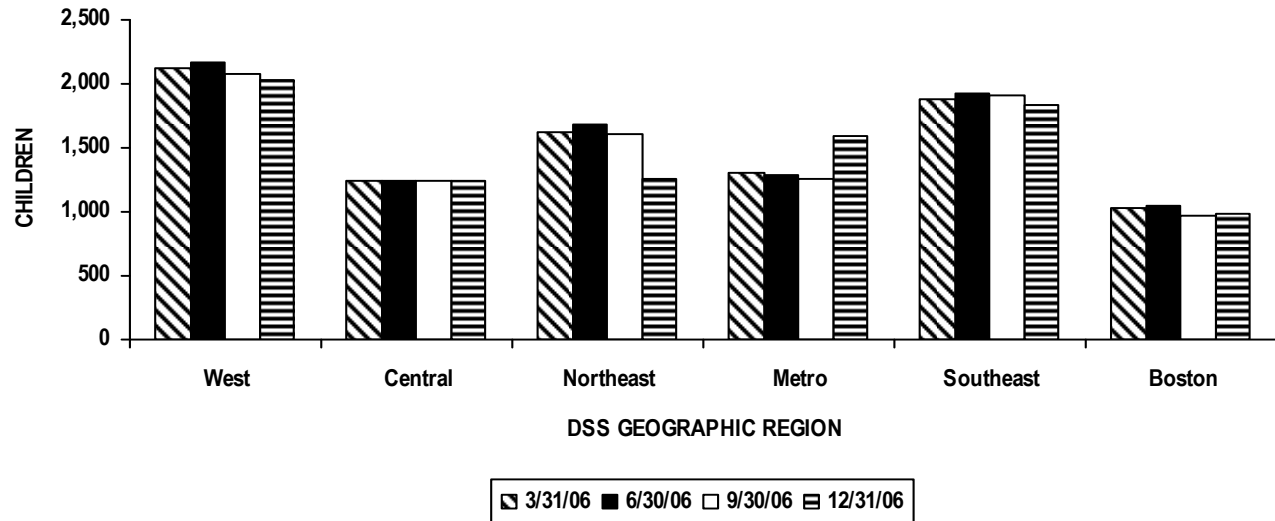


**FIGURE 2. CONSUMER COUNT BY DSS REGION**  
**(FY'2006, End of 3RD QUARTER to FY'2007, End of 2ND QUARTER)**

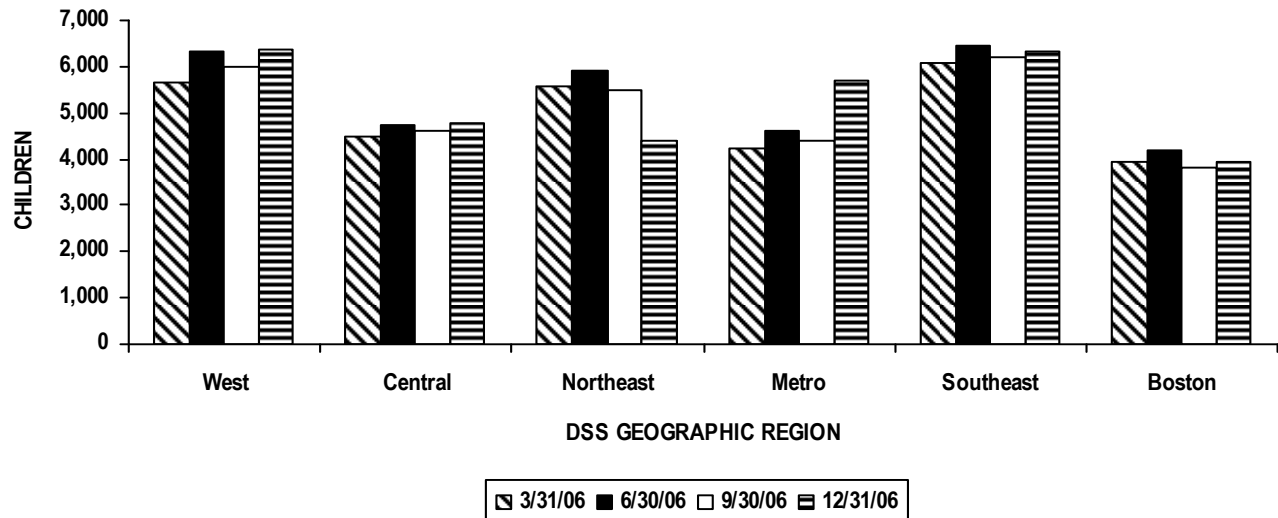


| TABLE 2. CHILD <sup>(1)</sup> CASELOAD BY DSS: FY'2007, End of 2ND QUARTER (12/31/06)                         |                  |              |                      |                |  |  |
|---|------------------|--------------|----------------------|----------------|--|--|
| DSS Region/Area   | Not in Placement | In Placement | Total Child Caseload | % in Placement |  |  |
| Greenfield  | 953              | 316          | 1,269                | 25%            |  |  |
| Holyoke   | 1,434            | 436          | 1,870                | 23%            |  |  |
| Pittsfield  | 815              | 398          | 1,213                | 33%            |  |  |
| Robert Van Wart   | 1,644            | 394          | 2,038                | 19%            |  |  |
| Springfield   | 1,493            | 485          | 1,978                | 25%            |  |  |
| Contracted Agencies   | 16               | 1            | 17                   | 6%             |  |  |
| <b>Western</b>  | <b>6,355</b>     | <b>2,030</b> | <b>8,385</b>         | <b>24%</b>     |  |  |
| North Central   | 1,459            | 321          | 1,780                | 18%            |  |  |
| South Central   | 1,081            | 285          | 1,366                | 21%            |  |  |
| Worcester East  | 1,147            | 319          | 1,466                | 22%            |  |  |
| Worcester West  | 1,093            | 312          | 1,405                | 22%            |  |  |
| Contracted Agencies   | 4                | 3            | 4                    | 75%            |  |  |
| <b>Central</b>  | <b>4,784</b>     | <b>1,240</b> | <b>6,024</b>         | <b>21%</b>     |  |  |
| Arlington   | 849              | 242          | 1,091                | 22%            |  |  |
| Cambridge   | 688              | 210          | 898                  | 23%            |  |  |
| Coastal   | 836              | 316          | 1,152                | 27%            |  |  |
| Framingham  | 787              | 203          | 990                  | 21%            |  |  |
| Malden  | 1,230            | 280          | 1,510                | 19%            |  |  |
| Contracted Agencies   | 11               | 7            | 18                   | 39%            |  |  |
| <b>Metro</b>  | <b>4,401</b>     | <b>1,258</b> | <b>5,659</b>         | <b>22%</b>     |  |  |
| Cape Ann  | 965              | 306          | 1,271                | 24%            |  |  |
| Haverhill   | 1,024            | 243          | 1,267                | 19%            |  |  |
| Lawrence  | 1,440            | 332          | 1,772                | 19%            |  |  |
| Lowell  | 1,230            | 434          | 1,664                | 26%            |  |  |
| Lynn  | 1,046            | 268          | 1,314                | 20%            |  |  |
| Contracted Agencies   | 7                | 2            | 9                    | 22%            |  |  |
| <b>Northeast</b>  | <b>5,712</b>     | <b>1,585</b> | <b>7,297</b>         | <b>22%</b>     |  |  |
| Attleboro   | 913              | 231          | 1,144                | 20%            |  |  |
| Brockton  | 1,128            | 346          | 1,474                | 23%            |  |  |
| Cape Cod  | 785              | 212          | 997                  | 21%            |  |  |
| Fall River  | 1,077            | 415          | 1,492                | 28%            |  |  |
| New Bedford   | 1,538            | 407          | 1,945                | 21%            |  |  |
| Plymouth  | 879              | 220          | 1,099                | 20%            |  |  |
| Contracted Agencies   | 12               | 2            | 14                   | 14%            |  |  |
| <b>Southeast</b>  | <b>6,332</b>     | <b>1,833</b> | <b>8,165</b>         | <b>22%</b>     |  |  |
| Dimock St.  | 819              | 241          | 1,060                | 23%            |  |  |
| Harbor  | 1,040            | 227          | 1,267                | 18%            |  |  |
| Hyde Park   | 705              | 219          | 924                  | 24%            |  |  |
| Park St.  | 1,396            | 298          | 1,694                | 18%            |  |  |
| Contracted Agencies   | ---              | 2            | 2                    | ---            |  |  |
| <b>Boston</b>   | <b>3,960</b>     | <b>987</b>   | <b>4,947</b>         | <b>20%</b>     |  |  |
| <b>Adoption Contracts <sup>(2)</sup></b>  | <b>17</b>        | <b>247</b>   | <b>264</b>           | <b>94%</b>     |  |  |
| <b>Other <sup>(3)</sup></b>   | <b>3</b>         | <b>23</b>    | <b>26</b>            | <b>88%</b>     |  |  |
| <b>Total</b>  | <b>31,564</b>    | <b>9,203</b> | <b>40,767</b>        | <b>23%</b>     |  |  |
| <sup>(1)</sup> Children are less than 18 years old.   |                  |              |                      |                |  |  |
| <sup>(2)</sup> Licensed private adoption agencies that contract with DSS to provide case management services. |                  |              |                      |                |  |  |
| <sup>(3)</sup> Includes primarily families served through Central Office contracts.                           |                  |              |                      |                |  |  |

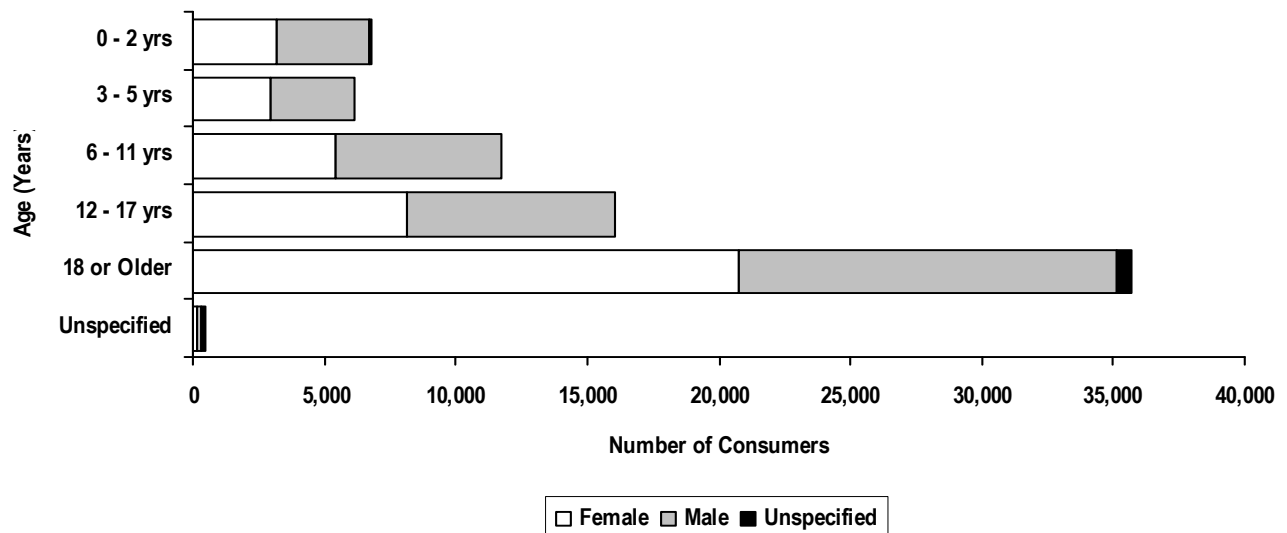
**FIGURE 3. CHILDREN IN PLACEMENT BY DSS REGION  
(FY'2006, End of 3RD QUARTER to FY'2007, End of 2ND QUARTER)**



**FIGURE 4. CHILDREN NOT IN PLACEMENT BY DSS REGION  
(FY'2006, End of 3RD QUARTER to FY'2007, End of 2ND QUARTER)**



**FIGURE 5. AGE AND SEX OF CONSUMERS: STATEWIDE  
FY'2007, End of 2ND QUARTER (12/31/06)**



| Age (Yrs)                  | Sex           |               |                            | Total         |
|----------------------------|---------------|---------------|----------------------------|---------------|
|                            | Female        | Male          | Unspecified <sup>(1)</sup> |               |
| 0 - 2                      | 3,218         | 3,506         | 47                         | 6,771         |
| 3 - 5                      | 2,925         | 3,197         | 35                         | 6,157         |
| 6 - 11                     | 5,416         | 6,298         | 51                         | 11,765        |
| 12 - 17                    | 8,109         | 7,908         | 34                         | 16,051        |
| 18 or older                | 20,765        | 14,346        | 573                        | 35,684        |
| Unspecified <sup>(1)</sup> | 130           | 204           | 169                        | 503           |
| <b>Total</b>               | <b>40,563</b> | <b>35,459</b> | <b>909</b>                 | <b>76,931</b> |

<sup>(1)</sup> Unspecified includes 480 individuals with the role "Consumer Adult" and 23 individuals with the role "Consumer Child" whose ages were unknown and 909 consumers whose gender was not specified as of the run date.

**TABLE 3A. RACE OF CONSUMERS BY DSS REGION: FY'2007, End of 2ND QUARTER (12/31/06)**

| Race                 | DSS Geographic Region |             |               |             |               |             |               |             |               |             |              |             | Adoption                 |             |                      |             | Total         |             |
|----------------------|-----------------------|-------------|---------------|-------------|---------------|-------------|---------------|-------------|---------------|-------------|--------------|-------------|--------------------------|-------------|----------------------|-------------|---------------|-------------|
|                      | West                  |             | Central       |             | Northeast     |             | Metro         |             | Southeast     |             | Boston       |             | Contracts <sup>(1)</sup> |             | Other <sup>(2)</sup> |             | Total         |             |
|                      | No.                   | %           | No.           | %           | No.           | %           | No.           | %           | No.           | %           | No.          | %           | No.                      | %           | No.                  | %           | No.           | %           |
| White                | 8,885                 | 58%         | 7,208         | 64%         | 7,699         | 56%         | 6,856         | 62%         | 10,229        | 63%         | 2,016        | 22%         | 121                      | 46%         | 6                    | 11%         | 43,020        | 56%         |
| Black                | 1,685                 | 11%         | 944           | 8%          | 908           | 7%          | 1,667         | 15%         | 2,191         | 14%         | 4,254        | 47%         | 68                       | 26%         | 39                   | 72%         | 11,756        | 15%         |
| Asian                | 57                    | *           | 116           | 1%          | 854           | 6%          | 181           | 2%          | 112           | 1%          | 204          | 2%          | 2                        | 1%          | 3                    | 6%          | 1,529         | 2%          |
| Native American      | 17                    | *           | 25            | *           | 21            | *           | 7             | *           | 53            | *           | 10           | *           | 1                        | *           | —                    | —           | 134           | *           |
| Other <sup>(3)</sup> | 4                     | *           | 6             | *           | 4             | *           | 4             | *           | 13            | *           | 8            | *           | —                        | —           | —                    | —           | 39            | *           |
| Multi-Racial         | 350                   | 2%          | 241           | 2%          | 289           | 2%          | 218           | 2%          | 426           | 3%          | 158          | 2%          | 29                       | 11%         | —                    | —           | 1,711         | 2%          |
| Unspecified          | 4,388                 | 29%         | 2,739         | 24%         | 3,867         | 28%         | 2,150         | 19%         | 3,110         | 19%         | 2,439        | 27%         | 43                       | 16%         | 6                    | 11%         | 18,742        | 24%         |
| <b>Total</b>         | <b>15,386</b>         | <b>100%</b> | <b>11,279</b> | <b>100%</b> | <b>13,642</b> | <b>100%</b> | <b>11,083</b> | <b>100%</b> | <b>16,134</b> | <b>100%</b> | <b>9,089</b> | <b>100%</b> | <b>264</b>               | <b>100%</b> | <b>54</b>            | <b>100%</b> | <b>76,931</b> | <b>100%</b> |

\* = Less than 1% after rounding-off

<sup>(1)</sup> Licensed private adoption agencies that contract with DSS to provide case management services.

<sup>(2)</sup> Includes primarily families served through Central Office contracts.

<sup>(3)</sup> Includes Native Hawaiian and Other Pacific Islanders.

**TABLE 3B. HISPANIC/LATINO ORIGIN OF CONSUMERS BY DSS REGION: FY'2007, End of 2ND QUARTER (12/31/06)**

| Origin                         | DSS Geographic Region |             |               |             |               |             |               |             |               |             |              |             | Adoption                 |             |                      |             | Total         |             |
|--------------------------------|-----------------------|-------------|---------------|-------------|---------------|-------------|---------------|-------------|---------------|-------------|--------------|-------------|--------------------------|-------------|----------------------|-------------|---------------|-------------|
|                                | West                  |             | Central       |             | Northeast     |             | Metro         |             | Southeast     |             | Boston       |             | Contracts <sup>(2)</sup> |             | Other <sup>(3)</sup> |             | Total         |             |
|                                | No.                   | %           | No.           | %           | No.           | %           | No.           | %           | No.           | %           | No.          | %           | No.                      | %           | No.                  | %           | No.           | %           |
| Hispanic/Latino <sup>(1)</sup> | 4,625                 | 30%         | 2,711         | 24%         | 4,106         | 30%         | 1,529         | 14%         | 1,838         | 11%         | 2,537        | 28%         | 67                       | 25%         | 2                    | 4%          | 17,415        | 23%         |
| Not Hispanic/Latino            | 7,818                 | 51%         | 6,755         | 60%         | 7,582         | 56%         | 7,124         | 64%         | 10,833        | 67%         | 5,096        | 56%         | 179                      | 68%         | 44                   | 81%         | 45,431        | 59%         |
| Unspecified                    | 2,943                 | 19%         | 1,813         | 16%         | 1,954         | 14%         | 2,430         | 22%         | 3,463         | 21%         | 1,456        | 16%         | 18                       | 7%          | 8                    | 15%         | 14,085        | 18%         |
| <b>Total</b>                   | <b>15,386</b>         | <b>100%</b> | <b>11,279</b> | <b>100%</b> | <b>13,642</b> | <b>100%</b> | <b>11,083</b> | <b>100%</b> | <b>16,134</b> | <b>100%</b> | <b>9,089</b> | <b>100%</b> | <b>264</b>               | <b>100%</b> | <b>54</b>            | <b>100%</b> | <b>76,931</b> | <b>100%</b> |

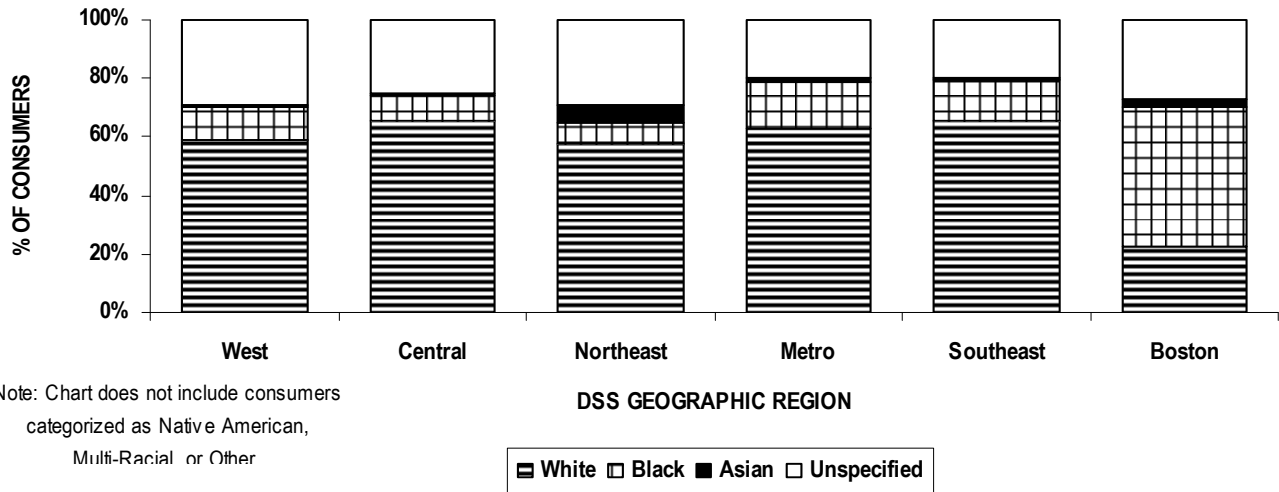
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<sup>(1)</sup> Consumers of any race who self-identify as being of Hispanic origin.

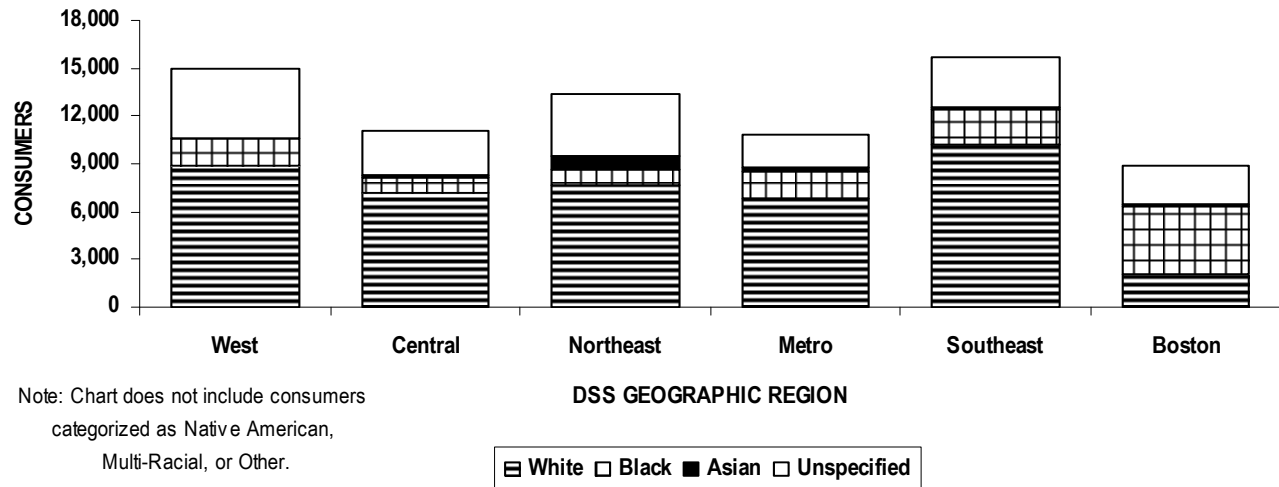
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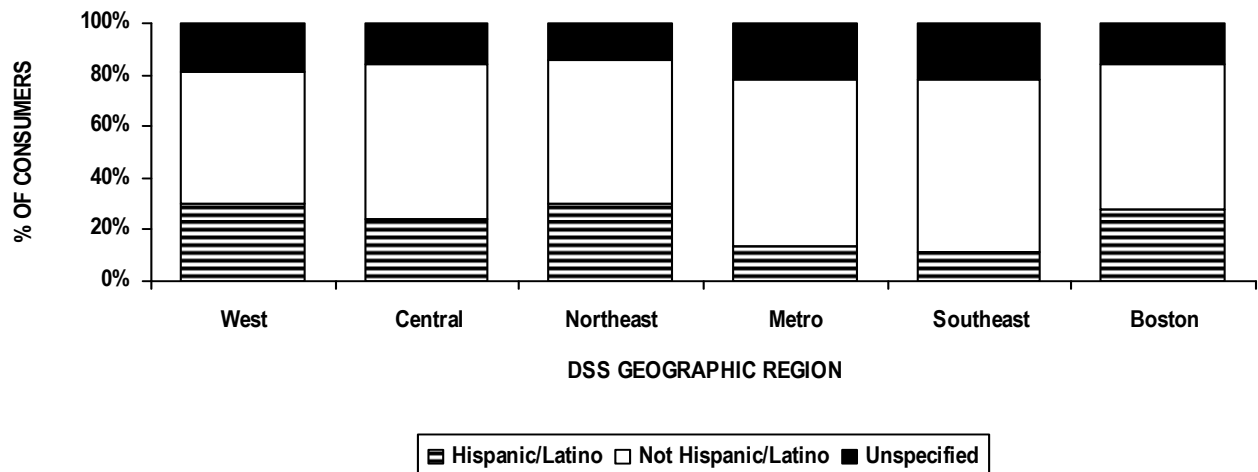
**FIGURE 6A. REGIONAL PROPORTIONS OF CONSUMERS BY RACE**  
**FY'07, End of 2ND QUARTER (12/31/06)**



**FIGURE 6B. REGIONAL COUNT OF CONSUMERS BY RACE**  
**FY'07, End of 2ND QUARTER (12/31/06)**



**FIGURE 6C. REGIONAL PROPORTIONS OF CONSUMERS BY HISPANIC ORIGIN**  
**FY'07, End of 2ND QUARTER (12/31/06)**



**FIGURE 6D. REGIONAL COUNTS OF CONSUMERS BY HISPANIC ORIGIN**  
**FY'07, End of 2ND QUARTER (12/31/06)**

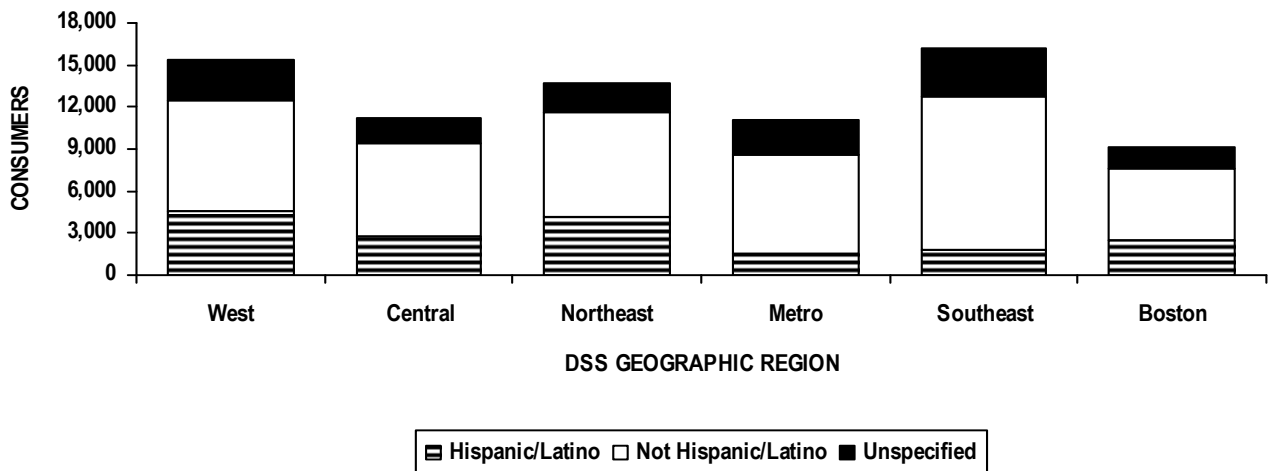




TABLE 4. PRIMARY LANGUAGE OF CONSUMERS BY DSS REGION: FY'2007, End of 2ND QUARTER (12/31/06)

| Primary Language    | DSS Geographic Region |      |         |      |           |      |        |      |           |      |        |      |     |      | Adoption<br>Contracts <sup>(1)</sup> Other <sup>(2)</sup> |      | Total  |      |
|---------------------|-----------------------|------|---------|------|-----------|------|--------|------|-----------|------|--------|------|-----|------|---|------|--------|------|
|                     | West                  |      | Central |      | Northeast |      | Metro  |      | Southeast |      | Boston |      |     |      |   |      |        |      |
|                     | No.                   | %    | No.     | %    | No.       | %    | No.    | %    | No.       | %    | No.    | %    | No. | %    | No.   | %    | No.    | %    |
| Spanish             | 1,096                 | 7%   | 579     | 5%   | 1,134     | 8%   | 390    | 4%   | 390       | 2%   | 802    | 9%   | 12  | 5%   | 4   | 7%   | 4,407  | 6%   |
| Khmer (Cambodian)   | 5                     | *    | 1       | *    | 289       | 2%   | 3      | *    | 48        | *    | 6      | *    | --- | ---  | ---   | ---  | 352    | *    |
| Portuguese          | 4                     | *    | 29      | *    | 34        | *    | 102    | 1%   | 112       | 1%   | 23     | *    | --- | ---  | ---   | ---  | 304    | *    |
| Haitian Creole      | ---                   | ---  | 8       | *    | 13        | *    | 108    | 1%   | 50        | *    | 67     | 1%   | --- | ---  | ---   | ---  | 246    | *    |
| Cape Verdean Creole | 2                     | *    | ---     | ---  | 1         | *    | 4      | *    | 85        | 1%   | 42     | *    | --- | ---  | ---   | ---  | 134    | *    |
| Vietnamese          | 8                     | *    | 42      | *    | 26        | *    | 11     | 0%   | 4         | *    | 56     | 1%   | --- | ---  | ---   | ---  | 147    | *    |
| Chinese             | 1                     | *    | 1       | *    | ---       | ---  | 30     | *    | 1         | *    | 12     | *    | --- | ---  | 3   | 6%   | 48     | *    |
| Lao                 | ---                   | ---  | 2       | *    | 19        | *    | ---    | ---  | ---       | ---  | ---    | ---  | --- | ---  | ---   | ---  | 21     | *    |
| American Sign Lang. | 3                     | *    | 3       | *    | 6         | *    | 10     | *    | 5         | *    | 7      | *    | --- | ---  | ---   | ---  | 34     | *    |
| Other               | 399                   | 3%   | 230     | 2%   | 155       | 1%   | 190    | 2%   | 353       | 2%   | 193    | 2%   | 2   | 1%   | 24  | 44%  | 1,546  | 2%   |
| English\Unspecified | 13,868                | 90%  | 10,384  | 92%  | 11,965    | 88%  | 10,235 | 92%  | 15,086    | 94%  | 7,881  | 87%  | 250 | 95%  | 23  | 43%  | 69,692 | 91%  |
| Total               | 15,386                | 100% | 11,279  | 100% | 13,642    | 100% | 11,083 | 100% | 16,134    | 100% | 9,089  | 100% | 264 | 100% | 54  | 100% | 76,931 | 100% |

\* = Less than 1% after rounding-off

Note: The summation of relative percentages may not equal 100% due to rounding-off.

<sup>(1)</sup> Licensed private adoption agencies that contract with DSS to provide case management services.<sup>(2)</sup> Includes primarily families served through Central Office contracts.

## **Profile of Consumers in Placement**<sup>4</sup>

### **Foster and Congregate Care**

- There were 7,815 consumers in foster care and 2,313 consumers in congregate care<sup>5</sup> on the last day of the 2<sup>nd</sup> Quarter of FY'2007. Foster care populations were highest in the Western and Southeastern Regions. The number of consumers in congregate care was greatest in the Metro, Northeastern, and Southeastern Regions. **(Table 5A)**
- The largest age group in foster care was 12-17 years (34-39% range across regions). Among regions, the West, Southeast, and Northeast had the highest numbers of adolescents in foster care, 692, 551, and 480, respectively. **(Table 5A)**
- Adolescents were the primary age group in congregate care, ranging from 66% to 74% across the regions. The Metro, Northeastern, and Southeastern Regions had the largest adolescent populations in congregate care, 356, 345, and 319, respectively. **(Table 5A)**
- Consumers in “Other” placement locations<sup>6</sup> were primarily adolescents (79-86% regional range). **(Table 5A)**
- There were 1,945 consumers in “Intensive” foster care<sup>7</sup> (IFC) and 5,870 consumers in “Departmental” foster care. Departmental foster care was separated into unrestricted (38% of consumers), kinship (33%), child specific (12%), pre-adoptive (6%), and independent living (11%). **(Table 5B)**
- The Western Region had the highest number of consumers in IFC **(Table 5B)**.
- A breakdown of Departmental foster care showed the West had the largest number of consumers in unrestricted, child-specific, and pre-adoptive foster care. Consumers in kinship care were highest in the Southeast. The Northeast had the most consumers in independent living. **(Fig. 7B, Table 5B)**

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<sup>4</sup>Consumers include children less than 18 years old and young adults 18 to 23 years old.

<sup>5</sup>Congregate Care includes: Group Home, Residential, and short-term residential placement (Stabilization and Rapid Reintegration, STARR).

<sup>6</sup>“Other” includes locations like hospitals and other state agencies, as well as children on the run from placement.

<sup>7</sup>Intensive Foster Care encompasses and expands upon services formerly known as “Contracted” foster care (Therapeutic, Diagnostic, Independent Living, Emergency Shelter, and Other models). IFC programs provide therapeutic services and supports in a family-based placement setting to children and youth for whom a traditional foster care environment is not sufficiently supportive, who are transitioning from a residential/group home level of care and require the intensity of services available through this program, or who are being discharged from a hospital setting.

- The proportions of consumers in different types of departmental foster care are displayed for each region in Figure 7A. Consumers in unrestricted homes were most prevalent in the West and Central. Metro had the largest proportion of consumers in kinship homes. Consumers in child-specific homes were most evident in both Boston and the West. The Western Region had the highest proportion of consumers in pre-adoptive homes. Consumers in independent living were proportionally higher in Boston and the Northeast as compared to the other regions. **(Fig. 7A)**
- The major congregate programs were residential (1,068 consumers), group homes (973 consumers), and short-term residential placement services (Stabilization and Rapid Reintegration, STARR)<sup>8</sup> (272 consumers). **(Table 5C)**
- The proportions of consumers in different types of congregate care are shown for each region in Figure 8A. The Western and Boston Regions had the highest proportions of consumers in group homes. The proportion of consumers in residential was most significant in both the Southeast and Northeast. Children in STARR placements were more prevalent in the Central Region. **(Fig. 8A)**
- The number of consumers in group homes was highest in Metro. The Northeast had the most consumers in residential. The Southeast had the most children in the STARR program. **(Fig. 8B)**
- Consumers in the residential program were mostly situated in Residential schools.<sup>9</sup> **(Table 5C)**
- The primary models in the group home program were group home (427 consumers), behavioral treatment residence (BTR) (340), and independent living (205).
- From the 1<sup>st</sup> Quarter to the 2<sup>nd</sup> Quarter of FY'2007, there was negligible change in the both the foster care and congregate care populations statewide. The gains and losses among regions cancelled each other out when viewed at the state level. **(Figs. 9 and 10).**

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<sup>8</sup> Services focused on supporting a rapid reintegration or transition to a next placement.

<sup>9</sup> Staff secure placement is for children who have not sufficiently internalized behavioral controls and require a more highly structured setting to help them manage their behavior. These facilities are licensed by the Department of Education. Special education services are provided according to the child's Individual Education Plan (IEP).

### **All Placement Locations (Combined Counts)**

- At the end of the 2<sup>nd</sup> Quarter of FY'2007, the statewide placement population was comprised of 52% boys and 48% girls. Regionally, the gender difference showed little deviation from the state. **(Table 6A, Fig. 11A)**
- Statewide, 60% of all consumers in placement were White, 19% were Black, 2% were Asian, less than 1% were Native American, and 4% were multi-racial. Race was unspecified for 15% of the placement population. **(Table 6A, Fig. 11A)**
- The proportion of minority consumers in placement was highest in the Boston Region. **(Table 6A)**
- Of the total placement population, 25% (2,659 consumers) self-identified as being of Hispanic origin. Hispanic consumers were most prevalent in the Western and Northeastern Regions. **(Table 6A, Fig. 11A)**
- Race was unspecified for a relatively large number of consumers in placement in the Western and Northeastern Regions. These high values may be attributable to the large number of Hispanic consumers in placement, who may not self-identify with any of the racial categories. **(Table 6A)**
- Adolescents were the largest age group in placement in each of the DSS Regions. The proportion of adolescents ranged from 44% in the Western Region to 50% in the Boston Region. **(Table 6B)**
- The number of young adults (18 years or older) in placement ranged from 142 in the Central Region to 310 in the Northeastern Region. **(Table 6B)**
- The most prominent service plan goals of consumers in placement were “Family Reunification” (31% of all consumers in placement), “Adoption” (23%), and Living Independently (21%). Regionally, the Southeast had the highest number and proportion of consumers in placement with a goal of reunifying the family. The West had the highest number and second highest proportion of consumers in placement with a goal of adoption. The largest numbers of consumers with a goal of “Independent Living” were evenly distributed over three regions—Southeast, West, and Northeast. **(Table 6B, Fig. 11B)**
- Statewide, 39% of the placement population had been in continuous care<sup>10</sup> for more than 2 years, 21% between 1 and 2 years, and 40% for 1 year or less. **(Table 6B, Fig. 11B)**

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<sup>10</sup> Length of stay in placement, as measured by a “point-in-time snapshot” of consumers residing in care, is not representative of all individuals who spend time in care during some specified period. It is biased because consumers in continuous long-term placement are over-represented in “snapshot” counts and many others who enter and leave placement quickly are not counted at all.

- The Northeastern and Boston Regions had the highest proportions of consumers in continuous<sup>11</sup> care for more than two years (42% in each region). Metro had the highest proportion of consumers in care for one year or less (45%). The Southeast and West had the largest numbers of consumers in care for one year or less (883 and 869, respectively). The West had the largest number of consumers in care for more than two years (896). **(Table 6B)**
- Tables 7A and 7B display the race and Hispanic origin of consumers in placement by their length of time in continuous care. There was a tendency for a greater proportion of Black consumers to be in care for more than two years as compared to other races (44% for Black vs. 39% for White, 39% for Hispanic, 40% for Asian). **(Tables 7A and 7B)**
- At the end of the 2<sup>nd</sup> Quarter of FY'2007 ("snapshot" on 12/31/06), the median time in continuous care was 1.2 years and the median<sup>12</sup> age was 12.6 years for all children less than 18 years old in placement. Over the past 15 years, the median age of children in care has slowly increased while the median time in placement has been fairly stable. (See table below).

| <b>All Children in Placement<sup>13</sup></b> |                         |  |                           |
|---|-------------------------|--|---------------------------|
| <b>Date</b>                                   | <b>Median Age (yrs)</b> | <b>Median Continuous Time in Placement (yrs)</b> | <b>Number of Children</b> |
| 7/92  | 9.2                     | 1.5  | 12,311                    |
| 7/93  | 9.3                     | 1.6  | 12,577                    |
| 7/94  | 9.1                     | 1.4  | 12,977                    |
| 7/95  | 9.2                     | 1.3  | 13,056                    |
| 7/96  | 9.7                     | 1.4  | 12,643                    |
| 7/97  | 10.2                    | 1.4  | 11,957                    |
| 9/98*   | 10.5                    | 1.4  | 10,872                    |
| 6/99*   | 11.0                    | 1.2  | 10,134                    |
| 6/00*   | 11.2                    | 1.5  | 9,676                     |
| 6/01*   | 11.5                    | 1.4  | 9,955                     |
| 6/02  | 11.9                    | 1.5  | 10,033                    |
| 6/03  | 12.2                    | 1.5  | 10,233                    |
| 6/04  | 12.3                    | 1.5  | 9,829                     |
| 6/05  | 12.6                    | 1.4  | 9,474                     |
| 6/06  | 12.6                    | 1.2  | 9,586                     |
| 9/06  | 12.6                    | 1.2  | 9,306                     |
| 12/06   | 12.6                    | 1.2  | 9,203                     |

Notes: **Children are less than 18 years old.**

\* = revised statistics

<sup>11</sup> Continuous time in care is defined as the span of time from the child's most recent placement entry to the Quarter End Date (December 31, 2006).

<sup>12</sup> Half of the children are younger than the median and half are older.

<sup>13</sup> Children are less than 18 years old.

- A racial and Hispanic origin breakdown of children in placement is presented in the following table. Minority children tend to be older and spend a slightly longer length of time in placement.

| <b>All Children in Placement<sup>14</sup> on 12/31/06</b> |                         |  |                           |
|---|-------------------------|--|---------------------------|
| <b>Race</b>   | <b>Median Age (yrs)</b> | <b>Median Continuous Time in Placement (yrs)</b> | <b>Number of Children</b> |
| White   | 12.6                    | 1.2  | 5,512                     |
| Black   | 13.8                    | 1.3  | 1,689                     |
| Asian   | 15.0                    | 1.0  | 127                       |
| Native American   | 16.4                    | 2.2  | 15                        |
| Pacific Islander  | 12.7                    | 0.6  | 8                         |
| Multi-Racial  | 7.4                     | 1.2  | 420                       |
| Unknown   | 12.2                    | 1.1  | 1,432                     |
| <b>TOTAL</b>  | 12.6                    | 1.2  | 9,203                     |
| Hispanic Origin <sup>15</sup>                             | 12.6                    | 1.3  | 2,373                     |

Note: **Children are less than 18 years old.**

### **Consumers in Placement with a Goal of Adoption**

- Out of 2,414 consumers in placement with a goal of adoption, 1,410 (58%) were White, 410 (17%) were Black, 16 (1%) were Asian, and 173 (7%) were multi-racial. Race was unspecified for 17%. Twenty-eight percent (673) of all consumers in placement with a goal of adoption were of Hispanic origin. (**Tables 8A and 8B, Fig. 12A**)
- The age distribution of 2,414 consumers in placement with a goal of adoption was: 26% age 0-2 years, 23% age 3-5 years, 37% age 6-11 years, and 14% age 12-17 years. (**Table 8C, Fig. 12A**)
- Fifty-four percent of the consumers with a goal of adoption were male and 46% were female. (**Fig. 12A**)

<sup>14</sup> Children are less than 18 years old.

<sup>15</sup> Children of any race who are Hispanic

- Forty-seven percent of the consumers in placement with a goal of adoption had been in continuous placement for more than two years. (**Table 8D, Fig. 12A**)
- Forty-three percent of the consumers in placement with a goal of guardianship had been in continuous placement for more than two years. (**Table 8D**)
- There has been a decline in the number of children<sup>16</sup> in placement with a goal of adoption since 1994 (peak value of 4,522). In 1997, this group of “waiting” children fell below 4,000 for the first time since 1991. In general, changes in the number of children with a goal of adoption have coincided with changes in the placement population. (See table below)
- The proportion of “waiting” children reached its highest level in 1994 (35%). Since 1994, the proportion of children with a goal of adoption has dropped to 26%. (See table below)

| Date  | Children in Placement | Children in Placement with a Goal of Adoption | % of Children with a Goal of Adoption |
|-------|-----------------------|---|---------------------------------------|
| 7/91  | 12,397                | 3,541   | 29%                                   |
| 7/92  | 12,311                | 4,116   | 33%                                   |
| 7/93  | 12,577                | 4,244   | 34%                                   |
| 7/94  | 12,977                | 4,522   | 35%                                   |
| 7/95  | 13,056                | 4,352   | 33%                                   |
| 7/96  | 12,463                | 4,251   | 34%                                   |
| 7/97  | 11,957                | 3,673   | 31%                                   |
| 1/98  | 11,170                | 3,489   | 31%                                   |
| 9/98  | 10,872*               | NA  | NA                                    |
| 6/99  | 10,134*               | 3,118   | 31%                                   |
| 6/00  | 9,676*                | 3,089   | 32%                                   |
| 6/01  | 9,955*                | 2,859   | 29%                                   |
| 6/02  | 10,033                | 2,844   | 28%                                   |
| 6/03  | 10,233                | 2,864*  | 28%                                   |
| 6/04  | 9,829                 | 2,761*  | 28%                                   |
| 6/05  | 9,474                 | 2,569   | 27%                                   |
| 6/06  | 9,586                 | 2,481   | 26%                                   |
| 9/06  | 9,306                 | 2,456   | 26%                                   |
| 12/06 | 9,203                 | 2,409   | 26%                                   |

Notes: **Children are less than 18 years old.**

\* = revised statistics

<sup>16</sup> Children are less than 18 years old.

- Of the 2,414 “waiting” consumers in placement with a goal of adoption, 41% were legally free for adoption. Seventy-nine percent of the freed children were matched to a permanent family. **(Fig. 12B)**
- The age distribution for consumers legally free for adoption differed slightly from the age group distribution for all consumers with a goal of adoption (See below and Fig. 12A). There is a tendency for older children to be freed. A bias toward adolescents may be a reflection of the time required to terminate parental rights – the more time it takes to free a child, the older the child is when freed.

| Age Group (years) | Children Legally Free for Adoption |      | All Children with a Goal of Adoption |      |
|-------------------|------------------------------------|------|--------------------------------------|------|
|                   | No.                                | %    | No.                                  | %    |
| 0 – 2             | 250                                | 25%  | 635                                  | 26%  |
| 3 – 5             | 208                                | 21%  | 551                                  | 23%  |
| 6 – 11            | 359                                | 36%  | 888                                  | 37%  |
| 12 – 17           | 181                                | 18%  | 335                                  | 14%  |
| <b>Total</b>      | 998                                | 100% | 2,409                                | 100% |

Note: These children are less than 18 years old. All children 18 years or older are free for adoption.

- Of those children who were not legally free for adoption (59%), 60% were matched to permanent families **(Fig. 12B)**.
- The Boston and Southeastern Regions had the highest proportions (60% and 57%, respectively) of “waiting” children who were legally free for adoption. The Western Region had the highest proportion of “waiting” children who were matched to a permanent family (87%). **(Figs. 12C and 12D)**



**TABLE 5A. CONSUMERS IN PLACEMENT - AGE AND LOCATION BY DSS REGION: FY'2007, End of 2ND QUARTER (12/31/06)**

|  |               | Placement Location of Consumers |     |                    |     |                      |     |              |
|--|---------------|---------------------------------|-----|--------------------|-----|----------------------|-----|--------------|
| DSS<br>Geographic<br>Region <sup>(1)</sup> | Age Group     | Foster<br>Care                  |     | Congregate<br>Care |     | Other <sup>(2)</sup> |     | Total<br>No. |
|  |               | No.                             | %   | No.                | %   | No.                  | %   |              |
| Western                                    |               | 1,856                           |     | 305                |     | 119                  |     | 2,280        |
|  | ( 0 - 2 yrs)  | 308                             | 17% | 2                  | 1%  | 1                    | 1%  | 311          |
|  | ( 3 - 5 yrs)  | 256                             | 14% | 3                  | 1%  | 2                    | 2%  | 261          |
|  | ( 6 - 11 yrs) | 409                             | 22% | 41                 | 13% | 11                   | 9%  | 461          |
|  | (12 - 17 yrs) | 692                             | 37% | 208                | 68% | 97                   | 82% | 997          |
|  | 18 or older   | 191                             | 10% | 51                 | 17% | 8                    | 7%  | 250          |
| Central                                    |               | 1,048                           |     | 282                |     | 52                   |     | 1,382        |
|  | ( 0 - 2 yrs)  | 179                             | 17% | ---                | --- | ---                  | --- | 179          |
|  | ( 3 - 5 yrs)  | 145                             | 14% | 3                  | 1%  | ---                  | --- | 148          |
|  | ( 6 - 11 yrs) | 240                             | 23% | 44                 | 16% | 7                    | 13% | 291          |
|  | (12 - 17 yrs) | 369                             | 35% | 210                | 74% | 43                   | 83% | 622          |
|  | 18 or older   | 115                             | 11% | 25                 | 9%  | 2                    | 4%  | 142          |
| Northeast                                  |               | 1,311                           |     | 480                |     | 104                  |     | 1,895        |
|  | ( 0 - 2 yrs)  | 184                             | 14% | 1                  | 0%  | 3                    | 3%  | 188          |
|  | ( 3 - 5 yrs)  | 139                             | 11% | 1                  | 0%  | 1                    | 1%  | 141          |
|  | ( 6 - 11 yrs) | 291                             | 22% | 45                 | 9%  | 7                    | 7%  | 343          |
|  | (12 - 17 yrs) | 480                             | 37% | 345                | 72% | 88                   | 85% | 913          |
|  | 18 or older   | 217                             | 17% | 88                 | 18% | 5                    | 5%  | 310          |
| Metro                                      |               | 933                             |     | 487                |     | 66                   |     | 1,486        |
|  | ( 0 - 2 yrs)  | 164                             | 18% | 1                  | 0%  | 2                    | 3%  | 167          |
|  | ( 3 - 5 yrs)  | 107                             | 11% | 3                  | 1%  | 1                    | 2%  | 111          |
|  | ( 6 - 11 yrs) | 197                             | 21% | 47                 | 10% | 3                    | 5%  | 247          |
|  | (12 - 17 yrs) | 320                             | 34% | 356                | 73% | 57                   | 86% | 733          |
|  | 18 or older   | 145                             | 16% | 80                 | 16% | 3                    | 5%  | 228          |
| Southeast                                  |               | 1,577                           |     | 441                |     | 82                   |     | 2,100        |
|  | ( 0 - 2 yrs)  | 298                             | 19% | 2                  | 0%  | ---                  | --- | 300          |
|  | ( 3 - 5 yrs)  | 211                             | 13% | 5                  | 1%  | ---                  | --- | 216          |
|  | ( 6 - 11 yrs) | 306                             | 19% | 60                 | 14% | 16                   | 20% | 382          |
|  | (12 - 17 yrs) | 551                             | 35% | 319                | 72% | 65                   | 79% | 935          |
|  | 18 or older   | 211                             | 13% | 55                 | 12% | 1                    | 1%  | 267          |
| Boston                                     |               | 804                             |     | 316                |     | 110                  |     | 1,230        |
|  | ( 0 - 2 yrs)  | 138                             | 17% | ---                | --- | 1                    | 1%  | 139          |
|  | ( 3 - 5 yrs)  | 76                              | 9%  | 2                  | 1%  | ---                  | --- | 78           |
|  | ( 6 - 11 yrs) | 120                             | 15% | 27                 | 9%  | 6                    | 5%  | 153          |
|  | (12 - 17 yrs) | 315                             | 39% | 207                | 66% | 95                   | 86% | 617          |
|  | 18 or older   | 155                             | 19% | 80                 | 25% | 8                    | 7%  | 243          |
| Adoption Contracts <sup>(3)</sup>          |               | 245                             |     | 2                  |     | ---                  | --- | 247          |
|  | ( 0 - 2 yrs)  | 41                              | 17% | ---                | --- | ---                  | --- | 41           |
|  | ( 3 - 5 yrs)  | 62                              | 25% | ---                | --- | ---                  | --- | 62           |
|  | ( 6 - 11 yrs) | 98                              | 40% | 1                  | 50% | ---                  | --- | 99           |
|  | (12 - 17 yrs) | 44                              | 18% | 1                  | 50% | ---                  | --- | 45           |
| Other <sup>(4)</sup>                       |               | 41                              |     | ---                | --- | ---                  | --- | 41           |
|  | ( 0 - 2 yrs)  | 1                               | 2%  | ---                | --- | ---                  | --- | 1            |
|  | ( 3 - 5 yrs)  | 1                               | 2%  | ---                | --- | ---                  | --- | 1            |
|  | ( 6 - 11 yrs) | 3                               | 7%  | ---                | --- | ---                  | --- | 3            |
|  | (12 - 17 yrs) | 18                              | 44% | ---                | --- | ---                  | --- | 18           |
|  | 18 or older   | 18                              | 44% | ---                | --- | ---                  | --- | 18           |
| Total                                      |               | 7,815                           |     | 2,313              |     | 533                  |     | 10,661       |

\* = Less than 1% after rounding-off

Note: The summation of relative percentages may not equal 100% due to rounding-off.

<sup>(1)</sup> Region having responsibility for the case (child could be placed in another DSS Region).

<sup>(2)</sup> "Other" includes locations such as hospitals and other state agencies, as well as consumers on the run from placement.

<sup>(3)</sup> Licensed private adoption agencies that contract with DSS to provide case management services.

<sup>(4)</sup> Includes primarily families served through Central Office contracts.

TABLE 5B. CONSUMERS IN FOSTER CARE - AGE AND LOCATION BY DSS REGION: FY2007, End of 2ND QUARTER (12/31/06)

|  |               | Foster Care                |                      |                          |                       |         |              |              | Foster<br>Care<br>Total |
|--|---------------|----------------------------|----------------------|--------------------------|-----------------------|---------|--------------|--------------|-------------------------|
| DSS<br>Geographic<br>Region <sup>(1)</sup> | Age Group     | Intensive Foster Care      |                      | Departmental Foster Care |                       |         |              |              |                         |
|  |               | Foster Care <sup>(2)</sup> | Other <sup>(3)</sup> | Child<br>Specific        | Independent<br>Living | Kinship | Pre-Adoptive | Unrestricted |                         |
| Western                                    |               | 468                        | 2                    | 185                      | 112                   | 376     | 110          | 603          | 1,856                   |
|  | ( 0 - 2 yrs)  | 13                         | 1                    | 21                       | ---                   | 91      | 52           | 130          | 308                     |
|  | ( 3 - 5 yrs)  | 17                         | ---                  | 27                       | ---                   | 81      | 25           | 106          | 256                     |
|  | ( 6 - 11 yrs) | 79                         | ---                  | 46                       | ---                   | 109     | 26           | 149          | 409                     |
|  | (12 - 17 yrs) | 312                        | 1                    | 81                       | 8                     | 87      | 6            | 197          | 692                     |
|  | 18 or older   | 47                         | ---                  | 10                       | 104                   | 8       | 1            | 21           | 191                     |
| Central                                    |               | 265                        | 3                    | 73                       | 58                    | 261     | 50           | 338          | 1,048                   |
|  | ( 0 - 2 yrs)  | 3                          | 1                    | 5                        | ---                   | 55      | 14           | 101          | 179                     |
|  | ( 3 - 5 yrs)  | 15                         | ---                  | 6                        | ---                   | 47      | 18           | 59           | 145                     |
|  | ( 6 - 11 yrs) | 55                         | 1                    | 17                       | ---                   | 71      | 15           | 81           | 240                     |
|  | (12 - 17 yrs) | 160                        | 1                    | 37                       | 1                     | 81      | 3            | 86           | 369                     |
|  | 18 or older   | 32                         | ---                  | 8                        | 57                    | 7       | ---          | 11           | 115                     |
| Northeast                                  |               | 383                        | 28                   | 101                      | 146                   | 319     | 39           | 295          | 1,311                   |
|  | ( 0 - 2 yrs)  | 40                         | 2                    | 6                        | ---                   | 51      | 13           | 72           | 184                     |
|  | ( 3 - 5 yrs)  | 22                         | ---                  | 9                        | ---                   | 55      | 6            | 47           | 139                     |
|  | ( 6 - 11 yrs) | 78                         | 2                    | 25                       | ---                   | 109     | 16           | 61           | 291                     |
|  | (12 - 17 yrs) | 202                        | 11                   | 55                       | 7                     | 98      | 4            | 103          | 480                     |
|  | 18 or older   | 41                         | 13                   | 6                        | 139                   | 6       | ---          | 12           | 217                     |
| Metro                                      |               | 214                        | 4                    | 81                       | 84                    | 283     | 53           | 214          | 933                     |
|  | ( 0 - 2 yrs)  | 17                         | 2                    | 5                        | ---                   | 58      | 24           | 58           | 164                     |
|  | ( 3 - 5 yrs)  | 7                          | ---                  | 10                       | ---                   | 44      | 8            | 38           | 107                     |
|  | ( 6 - 11 yrs) | 57                         | 1                    | 8                        | ---                   | 85      | 15           | 31           | 197                     |
|  | (12 - 17 yrs) | 114                        | ---                  | 46                       | ---                   | 84      | 6            | 70           | 320                     |
|  | 18 or older   | 19                         | 1                    | 12                       | 84                    | 12      | ---          | 17           | 145                     |
| Southeast                                  |               | 294                        | 10                   | 133                      | 132                   | 475     | 47           | 486          | 1,577                   |
|  | ( 0 - 2 yrs)  | 6                          | 1                    | 17                       | ---                   | 101     | 17           | 156          | 298                     |
|  | ( 3 - 5 yrs)  | 16                         | ---                  | 13                       | ---                   | 81      | 14           | 87           | 211                     |
|  | ( 6 - 11 yrs) | 45                         | ---                  | 29                       | ---                   | 126     | 11           | 95           | 306                     |
|  | (12 - 17 yrs) | 197                        | ---                  | 66                       | 6                     | 149     | 5            | 128          | 551                     |
|  | 18 or older   | 30                         | 9                    | 8                        | 126                   | 18      | ---          | 20           | 211                     |
| Boston                                     |               | 223                        | 8                    | 73                       | 100                   | 175     | 25           | 200          | 804                     |
|  | ( 0 - 2 yrs)  | 14                         | 4                    | 10                       | ---                   | 44      | 16           | 50           | 138                     |
|  | ( 3 - 5 yrs)  | 16                         | ---                  | 7                        | ---                   | 24      | 5            | 24           | 76                      |
|  | ( 6 - 11 yrs) | 39                         | 1                    | 14                       | ---                   | 37      | 3            | 26           | 120                     |
|  | (12 - 17 yrs) | 128                        | 2                    | 33                       | ---                   | 62      | 1            | 89           | 315                     |
|  | 18 or older   | 26                         | 1                    | 9                        | 100                   | 8       | ---          | 11           | 155                     |
| Adoption Contracts <sup>(4)</sup>          |               | 43                         | ---                  | 28                       | ---                   | 49      | 44           | 81           | 245                     |
|  | ( 0 - 2 yrs)  | ---                        | ---                  | 2                        | ---                   | 12      | 10           | 17           | 41                      |
|  | ( 3 - 5 yrs)  | 6                          | ---                  | 7                        | ---                   | 12      | 14           | 23           | 62                      |
|  | ( 6 - 11 yrs) | 19                         | ---                  | 10                       | ---                   | 20      | 16           | 33           | 98                      |
|  | (12 - 17 yrs) | 18                         | ---                  | 9                        | ---                   | 5       | 4            | 8            | 44                      |
| Other <sup>(5)</sup>                       |               | ---                        | ---                  | 8                        | 6                     | 2       | ---          | 25           | 41                      |
|  | ( 0 - 2 yrs)  | ---                        | ---                  | 1                        | ---                   | ---     | ---          | ---          | 1                       |
|  | ( 3 - 5 yrs)  | ---                        | ---                  | ---                      | ---                   | ---     | ---          | 1            | 1                       |
|  | ( 6 - 11 yrs) | ---                        | ---                  | 1                        | ---                   | ---     | ---          | 2            | 3                       |
|  | (12 - 17 yrs) | ---                        | ---                  | 6                        | ---                   | ---     | ---          | 12           | 18                      |
|  | 18 or older   | ---                        | ---                  | ---                      | 6                     | 2       | ---          | 10           | 18                      |
| Total                                      |               | 1,890                      | 55                   | 682                      | 638                   | 1,940   | 368          | 2,242        | 7,815                   |

<sup>(1)</sup> Region having responsibility for the case (child could be placed in another DSS Region).

<sup>(2)</sup> IFC includes "Teen Parent Rate" model.

<sup>(3)</sup> Other includes "Sibling Rate" model.

<sup>(4)</sup> Licensed private adoption agencies that contract with DSS to provide case management services.

<sup>(5)</sup> Includes primarily families served through Central Office contracts.

TABLE 5C. CONSUMERS IN CONGREGATE CARE - AGE AND LOCATION BY DSS REGION: FY'2007, End of 2ND QUARTER (12/31/06)

| DSS<br>Geographic<br>Region <sup>(1)</sup> | Congregate Care                      |               |                       |       |                       |                                     |                      | Total |
|--|--------------------------------------|---------------|-----------------------|-------|-----------------------|-------------------------------------|----------------------|-------|
|  | Group Home                           |               |                       |       | Residential           |                                     | STARR <sup>(3)</sup> |       |
|  | Behavioral<br>Treatment<br>Residence | Group<br>Home | Independent<br>Living | Other | Residential<br>School | Other<br>Residential <sup>(2)</sup> |                      |       |
| Western                                    | 98                                   | 33            | 27                    | ---   | 59                    | 59                                  | 29                   | 305   |
| ( 0 - 2 yrs)                               | ---                                  | ---           | ---                   | ---   | ---                   | 2                                   | ---                  | 2     |
| ( 3 - 5 yrs)                               | ---                                  | ---           | ---                   | ---   | ---                   | 2                                   | 1                    | 3     |
| ( 6 - 11 yrs)                              | 9                                    | 4             | ---                   | ---   | 14                    | 8                                   | 6                    | 41    |
| (12 - 17 yrs)                              | 88                                   | 15            | 5                     | ---   | 38                    | 40                                  | 22                   | 208   |
| 18 or older                                | 1                                    | 14            | 22                    | ---   | 7                     | 7                                   | ---                  | 51    |
| Central                                    | 44                                   | 59            | 5                     | ---   | 105                   | 23                                  | 46                   | 282   |
| ( 3 - 5 yrs)                               | ---                                  | 1             | ---                   | ---   | ---                   | 1                                   | 1                    | 3     |
| ( 6 - 11 yrs)                              | 2                                    | 4             | ---                   | ---   | 21                    | 7                                   | 10                   | 44    |
| (12 - 17 yrs)                              | 37                                   | 49            | 3                     | ---   | 77                    | 10                                  | 34                   | 210   |
| 18 or older                                | 5                                    | 5             | 2                     | ---   | 7                     | 5                                   | 1                    | 25    |
| Northeast                                  | 76                                   | 63            | 54                    | ---   | 215                   | 30                                  | 42                   | 480   |
| ( 0 - 2 yrs)                               | ---                                  | ---           | ---                   | ---   | ---                   | ---                                 | 1                    | 1     |
| ( 3 - 5 yrs)                               | ---                                  | ---           | ---                   | ---   | ---                   | ---                                 | 1                    | 1     |
| ( 6 - 11 yrs)                              | 11                                   | 3             | ---                   | ---   | 27                    | 3                                   | 1                    | 45    |
| (12 - 17 yrs)                              | 64                                   | 52            | 13                    | ---   | 166                   | 13                                  | 37                   | 345   |
| 18 or older                                | 1                                    | 8             | 41                    | ---   | 22                    | 14                                  | 2                    | 88    |
| Metro                                      | 51                                   | 123           | 51                    | ---   | 177                   | 26                                  | 59                   | 487   |
| ( 0 - 2 yrs)                               | ---                                  | ---           | ---                   | ---   | ---                   | 1                                   | ---                  | 1     |
| ( 3 - 5 yrs)                               | 1                                    | 1             | ---                   | ---   | ---                   | ---                                 | 1                    | 3     |
| ( 6 - 11 yrs)                              | 9                                    | 1             | ---                   | ---   | 28                    | 3                                   | 6                    | 47    |
| (12 - 17 yrs)                              | 39                                   | 103           | 17                    | ---   | 130                   | 15                                  | 52                   | 356   |
| 18 or older                                | 2                                    | 18            | 34                    | ---   | 19                    | 7                                   | ---                  | 80    |
| Southeast                                  | 54                                   | 65            | 22                    | 1     | 172                   | 56                                  | 71                   | 441   |
| ( 0 - 2 yrs)                               | ---                                  | 1             | ---                   | ---   | ---                   | ---                                 | 1                    | 2     |
| ( 3 - 5 yrs)                               | ---                                  | ---           | ---                   | ---   | 2                     | ---                                 | 3                    | 5     |
| ( 6 - 11 yrs)                              | 17                                   | 2             | ---                   | ---   | 26                    | ---                                 | 15                   | 60    |
| (12 - 17 yrs)                              | 36                                   | 54            | 8                     | ---   | 127                   | 42                                  | 52                   | 319   |
| 18 or older                                | 1                                    | 8             | 14                    | 1     | 17                    | 14                                  | ---                  | 55    |
| Boston                                     | 17                                   | 84            | 46                    | ---   | 99                    | 46                                  | 24                   | 316   |
| ( 3 - 5 yrs)                               | ---                                  | ---           | ---                   | ---   | ---                   | ---                                 | 2                    | 2     |
| ( 6 - 11 yrs)                              | 6                                    | 3             | ---                   | ---   | 11                    | 3                                   | 4                    | 27    |
| (12 - 17 yrs)                              | 9                                    | 69            | 8                     | ---   | 75                    | 28                                  | 18                   | 207   |
| 18 or older                                | 2                                    | 12            | 38                    | ---   | 13                    | 15                                  | ---                  | 80    |
| Adoption Contracts <sup>(4)</sup>          | ---                                  | ---           | ---                   | ---   | 1                     | ---                                 | 1                    | 2     |
| ( 6 - 11 yrs)                              | ---                                  | ---           | ---                   | ---   | 1                     | ---                                 | ---                  | 1     |
| (12 - 17 yrs)                              | ---                                  | ---           | ---                   | ---   | ---                   | ---                                 | 1                    | 1     |
| Total                                      | 340                                  | 427           | 205                   | 1     | 828                   | 240                                 | 272                  | 2,313 |

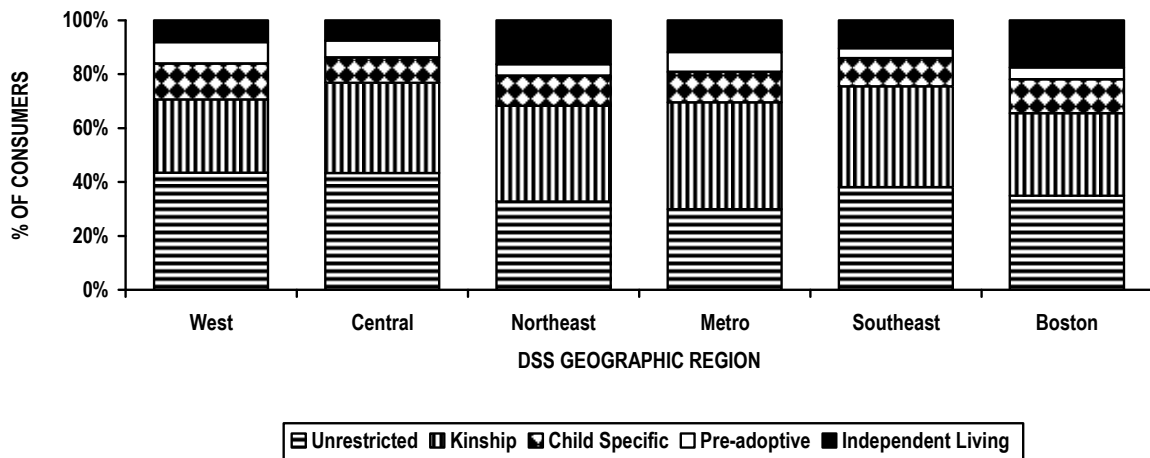
<sup>(1)</sup> Region having responsibility for the case (child could be placed in another DSS Region).

<sup>(2)</sup> "Old" taxonomy includes bridge home (16), regular group home (33), chap. 766 (129), teen pregnancy/parenting group home (29), diagnostic (6), Other (27).

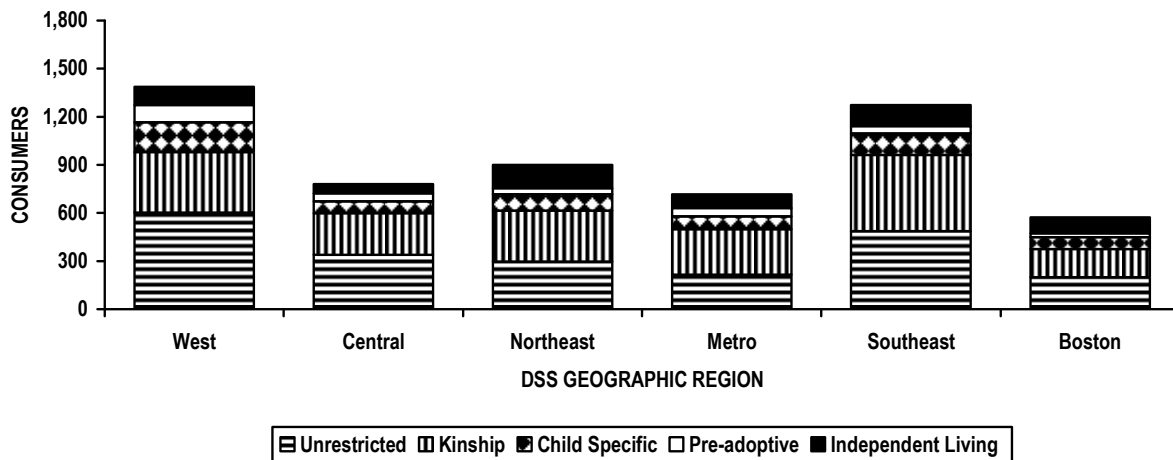
<sup>(3)</sup> STARR = Stabilization and Rapid Reintegration (short-term residential placement service)

<sup>(4)</sup> Licensed private adoption agencies that contract with DSS to provide case management services.

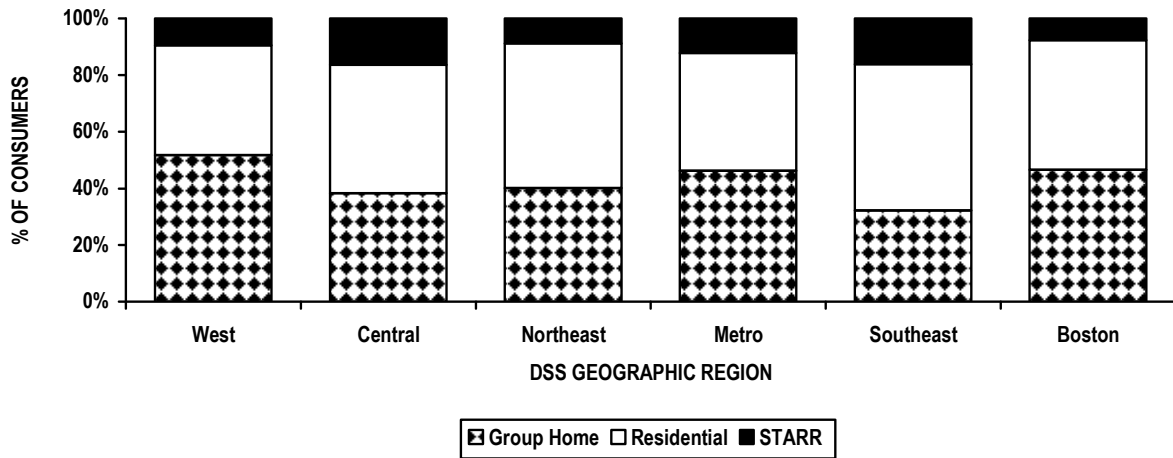
**FIGURE 7A. REGIONAL PROPORTIONS OF CONSUMERS  
IN DEPARTMENTAL FOSTER CARE BY TYPE OF LOCATION  
FY'2007, End of 2ND QUARTER (12/31/06)**



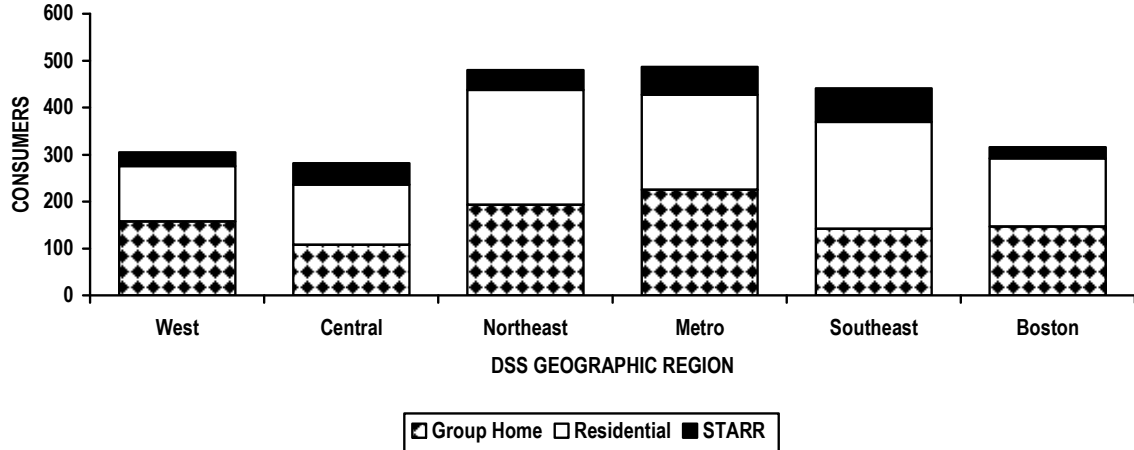
**FIGURE 7B. REGIONAL COUNTS OF CONSUMERS  
IN DEPARTMENTAL FOSTER CARE BY TYPE OF LOCATION  
FY'2007, End of 1ST QUARTER (12/31/06)**



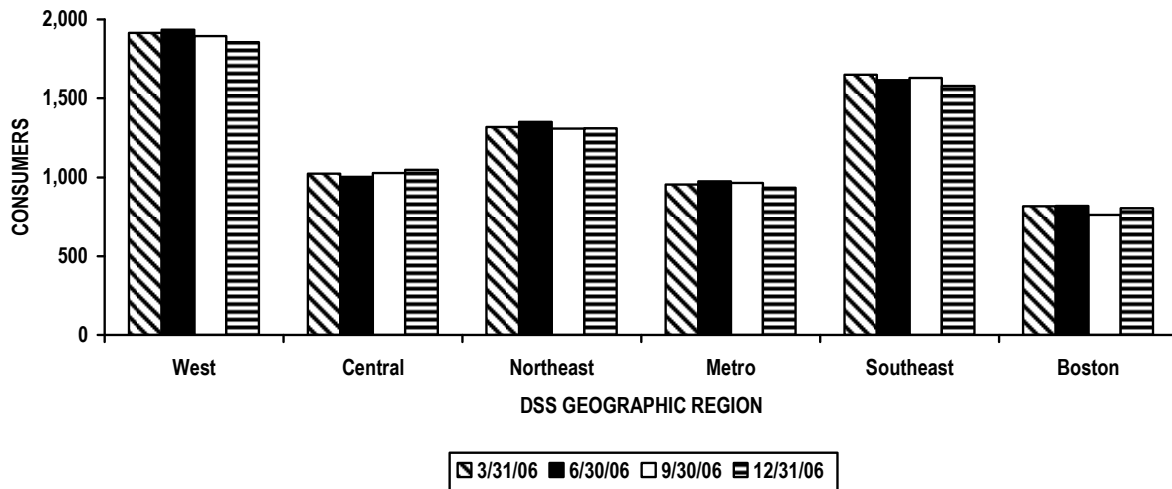
**FIGURE 8A. REGIONAL PROPORTIONS OF CONSUMERS  
IN CONGREGATE CARE BY TYPE OF LOCATION  
FY'2007, End of 2ND QUARTER (12/31/06)**



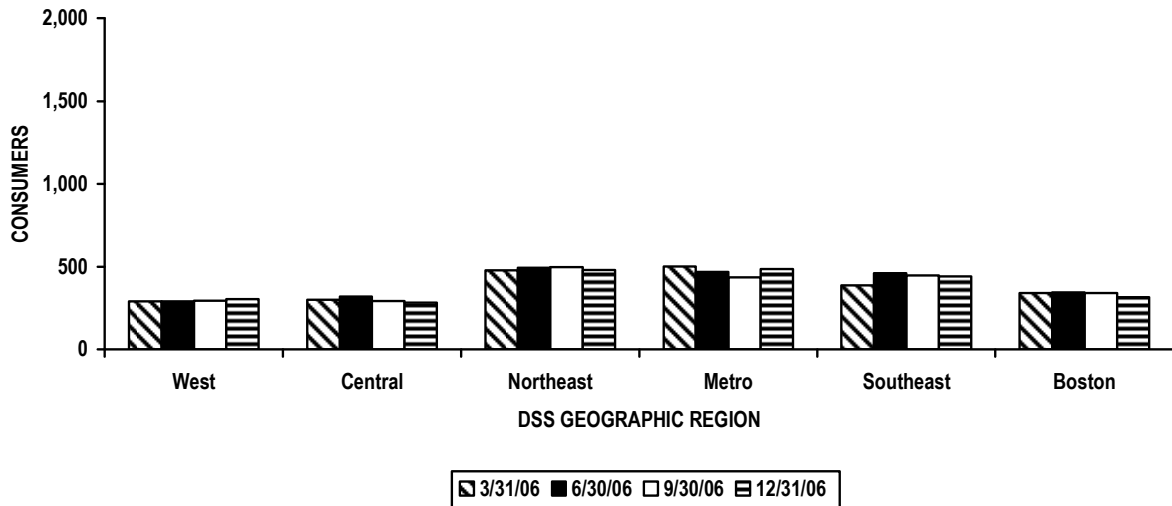
**FIGURE 8B. REGIONAL COUNTS OF CONSUMERS  
IN CONGREGATE CARE BY TYPE OF LOCATION  
FY'2007, End of 2ND QUARTER (12/31/06)**



**FIGURE 9. CONSUMERS IN FOSTER CARE BY DSS REGION**  
(FY'2006, End of 3RD QUARTER to FY'2007, End of 2ND QUARTER)



**FIGURE 10. CONSUMERS IN CONGREGATE CARE BY DSS REGION**  
(FY'2006, End of 3RD QUARTER to FY'2007, End of 2ND QUARTER)



**TABLE 6A. CONSUMERS IN PLACEMENT: SEX, RACE, AND HISPANIC ORIGIN BY DSS REGIONS AND STATE: FY'2007, End of 2ND QUARTER (12/31/06)**

| Characteristics         | DSS Geographic Region |      |         |      |           |      |       |      |           |      |        |      |                                   |      | Total |      |                      |      |
|-------------------------|-----------------------|------|---------|------|-----------|------|-------|------|-----------|------|--------|------|-----------------------------------|------|-------|------|----------------------|------|
|                         | West                  |      | Central |      | Northeast |      | Metro |      | Southeast |      | Boston |      | Adoption Contracts <sup>(1)</sup> |      |       |      | Other <sup>(2)</sup> |      |
|                         | No.                   | %    | No.     | %    | No.       | %    | No.   | %    | No.       | %    | No.    | %    | No.                               | %    | No.   | %    | No.                  | %    |
| Sex:                    |                       |      |         |      |           |      |       |      |           |      |        |      |                                   |      |       |      |                      |      |
| Female                  | 1,063                 | 47%  | 658     | 48%  | 918       | 48%  | 739   | 50%  | 1,017     | 48%  | 610    | 50%  | 115                               | 47%  | 14    | 34%  | 5,134                | 48%  |
| Male                    | 1,216                 | 53%  | 724     | 52%  | 977       | 52%  | 747   | 50%  | 1,083     | 52%  | 620    | 50%  | 132                               | 53%  | 27    | 66%  | 5,526                | 52%  |
| Unspecified             | 1                     | *    | ---     | ---  | ---       | ---  | ---   | ---  | ---       | ---  | ---    | ---  | ---                               | ---  | ---   | ---  | 1                    | *    |
| Total                   | 2,280                 | 100% | 1,382   | 100% | 1,895     | 100% | 1,486 | 100% | 2,100     | 100% | 1,230  | 100% | 247                               | 100% | 41    | 100% | 10,661               | 100% |
| Race:                   |                       |      |         |      |           |      |       |      |           |      |        |      |                                   |      |       |      |                      |      |
| White                   | 1,466                 | 64%  | 943     | 68%  | 1,145     | 60%  | 997   | 67%  | 1,398     | 67%  | 297    | 24%  | 116                               | 47%  | 4     | 10%  | 6,366                | 60%  |
| Black                   | 311                   | 14%  | 154     | 11%  | 192       | 10%  | 268   | 18%  | 356       | 17%  | 690    | 56%  | 61                                | 25%  | 32    | 78%  | 2,064                | 19%  |
| Asian                   | 5                     | *    | 13      | 1%   | 89        | 5%   | 19    | 1%   | 15        | 1%   | 17     | 1%   | 1                                 | *    | 2     | 5%   | 161                  | 2%   |
| Native American         | 3                     | *    | ---     | ---  | 2         | *    | 1     | *    | 8         | *    | 3      | *    | 1                                 | *    | ---   | ---  | 18                   | *    |
| Other <sup>(3)</sup>    | 1                     | *    | 3       | *    | ---       | ---  | 1     | *    | 3         | *    | ---    | ---  | ---                               | ---  | ---   | ---  | 8                    | *    |
| Multi-Racial            | 98                    | 4%   | 42      | 3%   | 75        | 4%   | 63    | 4%   | 111       | 5%   | 34     | 3%   | 28                                | 11%  | ---   | ---  | 451                  | 4%   |
| Unspecified             | 396                   | 17%  | 227     | 16%  | 392       | 21%  | 137   | 9%   | 209       | 10%  | 189    | 15%  | 40                                | 16%  | 3     | 7%   | 1,593                | 15%  |
| Total                   | 2,280                 | 100% | 1,382   | 100% | 1,895     | 100% | 1,486 | 100% | 2,100     | 100% | 1,230  | 100% | 247                               | 100% | 41    | 100% | 10,661               | 100% |
| Hispanic/Latino Origin: |                       |      |         |      |           |      |       |      |           |      |        |      |                                   |      |       |      |                      |      |
| Hispanic/Latino         | 799                   | 35%  | 368     | 27%  | 639       | 34%  | 225   | 15%  | 277       | 13%  | 288    | 23%  | 61                                | 25%  | 2     | 5%   | 2,659                | 25%  |
| Not Hispanic/Latino     | 1,362                 | 60%  | 936     | 68%  | 1,195     | 63%  | 1,189 | 80%  | 1,712     | 82%  | 884    | 72%  | 170                               | 69%  | 32    | 78%  | 7,480                | 70%  |
| Unspecified             | 119                   | 5%   | 78      | 6%   | 61        | 3%   | 72    | 5%   | 111       | 5%   | 58     | 5%   | 16                                | 6%   | 7     | 17%  | 522                  | 5%   |
| Total                   | 2,280                 | 100% | 1,382   | 100% | 1,895     | 100% | 1,486 | 100% | 2,100     | 100% | 1,230  | 100% | 247                               | 100% | 41    | 100% | 10,661               | 100% |

\* = Less than 1% after rounding-off

Note: The summation of relative percentages may not equal 100% due to rounding-off.

<sup>(1)</sup> Licensed private adoption agencies that contract with DSS to provide case management services.

<sup>(2)</sup> Includes primarily families served through Central Office contracts.

<sup>(3)</sup> Includes Native Hawaiian and Other Pacific Islanders.

TABLE 6B. CONSUMERS IN PLACEMENT: AGE, SERVICE PLAN GOAL, AND CONTINUOUS TIME IN CARE BY DSS REGIONS AND STATE:  
FY'2007, End of 2ND QUARTER (12/31/06)

| Characteristics                    | DSS Geographic Region |      |         |      |           |      |       |      |           |      |          |      |                          |      | Total                |      |        |      |
|------------------------------------|-----------------------|------|---------|------|-----------|------|-------|------|-----------|------|----------|------|--------------------------|------|----------------------|------|--------|------|
|                                    |                       |      |         |      |           |      |       |      |           |      | Adoption |      |                          |      |                      |      |        |      |
|                                    | West                  |      | Central |      | Northeast |      | Metro |      | Southeast |      | Boston   |      | Contracts <sup>(1)</sup> |      | Other <sup>(2)</sup> |      | No.    | %    |
|                                    | No.                   | %    | No.     | %    | No.       | %    | No.   | %    | No.       | %    | No.      | %    | No.                      | %    | No.                  | %    | No.    | %    |
| Age:                               |                       |      |         |      |           |      |       |      |           |      |          |      |                          |      |                      |      |        |      |
| ( 0 - 2 yrs)                       | 311                   | 14%  | 179     | 13%  | 188       | 10%  | 167   | 11%  | 300       | 14%  | 139      | 11%  | 41                       | 17%  | 1                    | 2%   | 1,326  | 12%  |
| ( 3 - 5 yrs)                       | 261                   | 11%  | 148     | 11%  | 141       | 7%   | 111   | 7%   | 216       | 10%  | 78       | 6%   | 62                       | 25%  | 1                    | 2%   | 1,018  | 10%  |
| ( 6 - 11 yrs)                      | 461                   | 20%  | 291     | 21%  | 343       | 18%  | 247   | 17%  | 382       | 18%  | 153      | 12%  | 99                       | 40%  | 3                    | 7%   | 1,979  | 19%  |
| (12 - 17 yrs)                      | 997                   | 44%  | 622     | 45%  | 913       | 48%  | 733   | 49%  | 935       | 45%  | 617      | 50%  | 45                       | 18%  | 18                   | 44%  | 4,880  | 46%  |
| 18 or older                        | 250                   | 11%  | 142     | 10%  | 310       | 16%  | 228   | 15%  | 267       | 13%  | 243      | 20%  | ---                      | ---  | 18                   | 44%  | 1,458  | 14%  |
| Total                              | 2,280                 | 100% | 1,382   | 100% | 1,895     | 100% | 1,486 | 100% | 2,100     | 100% | 1,230    | 100% | 247                      | 100% | 41                   | 100% | 10,661 | 100% |
| Service Plan Goals:                |                       |      |         |      |           |      |       |      |           |      |          |      |                          |      |                      |      |        |      |
| Reunify Family                     | 656                   | 29%  | 437     | 32%  | 588       | 31%  | 487   | 33%  | 762       | 36%  | 348      | 28%  | 1                        | *    | 2                    | 5%   | 3,281  | 31%  |
| Adoption                           | 567                   | 25%  | 360     | 26%  | 381       | 20%  | 240   | 16%  | 405       | 19%  | 220      | 18%  | 241                      | 98%  | ---                  | ---  | 2,414  | 23%  |
| Living Independently               | 429                   | 19%  | 221     | 16%  | 404       | 21%  | 341   | 23%  | 433       | 21%  | 359      | 29%  | ---                      | ---  | 23                   | 56%  | 2,210  | 21%  |
| Long-Term Substitute Care          | 295                   | 13%  | 158     | 11%  | 283       | 15%  | 186   | 13%  | 209       | 10%  | 115      | 9%   | ---                      | ---  | 3                    | 7%   | 1,249  | 12%  |
| Guardianship                       | 119                   | 5%   | 88      | 6%   | 77        | 4%   | 81    | 5%   | 122       | 6%   | 48       | 4%   | 2                        | 1%   | ---                  | ---  | 537    | 5%   |
| Stabilize Intact Family            | 115                   | 5%   | 73      | 5%   | 76        | 4%   | 79    | 5%   | 86        | 4%   | 56       | 5%   | 3                        | 1%   | ---                  | ---  | 488    | 5%   |
| Long-Term Care w/Adult Serv. Agen. | 65                    | 3%   | 33      | 2%   | 67        | 4%   | 52    | 3%   | 71        | 3%   | 66       | 5%   | ---                      | ---  | ---                  | ---  | 354    | 3%   |
| Unspecified                        | 34                    | 1%   | 12      | 1%   | 19        | 1%   | 20    | 1%   | 12        | 1%   | 18       | 1%   | ---                      | ---  | 13                   | 32%  | 128    | 1%   |
| Total                              | 2,280                 | 100% | 1,382   | 100% | 1,895     | 100% | 1,486 | 100% | 2,100     | 100% | 1,230    | 100% | 247                      | 100% | 41                   | 100% | 10,661 | 100% |
| Continuous Time in Care:           |                       |      |         |      |           |      |       |      |           |      |          |      |                          |      |                      |      |        |      |
| (.5 yr or less)                    | 459                   | 20%  | 349     | 25%  | 374       | 20%  | 386   | 26%  | 493       | 23%  | 267      | 22%  | 8                        | 3%   | 7                    | 17%  | 2,343  | 22%  |
| (> .5 - 1 yr)                      | 410                   | 18%  | 265     | 19%  | 345       | 18%  | 281   | 19%  | 390       | 19%  | 224      | 18%  | 19                       | 8%   | 7                    | 17%  | 1,941  | 18%  |
| (> 1 - 1.5 yrs)                    | 330                   | 14%  | 153     | 11%  | 217       | 11%  | 173   | 12%  | 254       | 12%  | 122      | 10%  | 37                       | 15%  | 3                    | 7%   | 1,289  | 12%  |
| (> 1.5 - 2 yrs)                    | 185                   | 8%   | 130     | 9%   | 160       | 8%   | 121   | 8%   | 203       | 10%  | 94       | 8%   | 25                       | 10%  | 4                    | 10%  | 922    | 9%   |
| (> 2 - 4 yrs)                      | 429                   | 19%  | 276     | 20%  | 357       | 19%  | 306   | 21%  | 407       | 19%  | 250      | 20%  | 96                       | 39%  | 14                   | 34%  | 2,135  | 20%  |
| > 4 yrs                            | 467                   | 20%  | 209     | 15%  | 442       | 23%  | 219   | 15%  | 353       | 17%  | 273      | 22%  | 62                       | 25%  | 6                    | 15%  | 2,031  | 19%  |
| Total                              | 2,280                 | 100% | 1,382   | 100% | 1,895     | 100% | 1,486 | 100% | 2,100     | 100% | 1,230    | 100% | 247                      | 100% | 41                   | 100% | 10,661 | 100% |

\* = Less than 1% after rounding-off

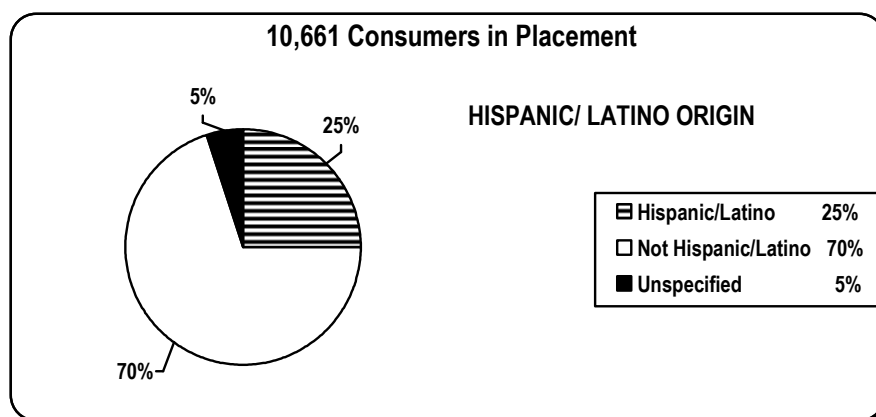
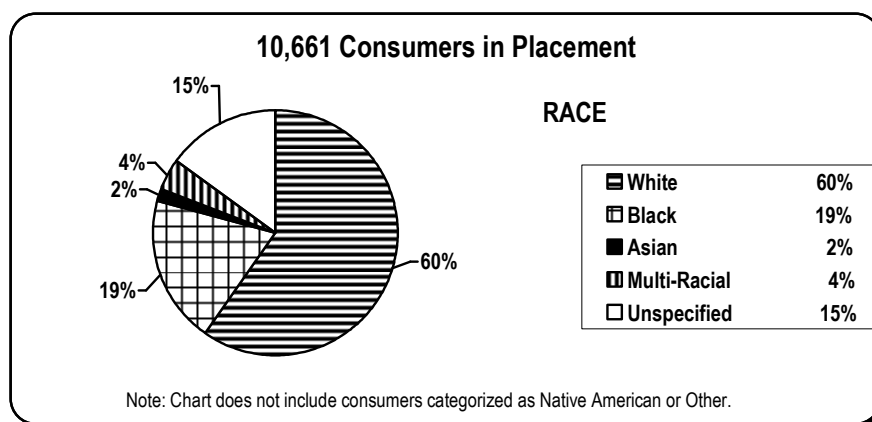
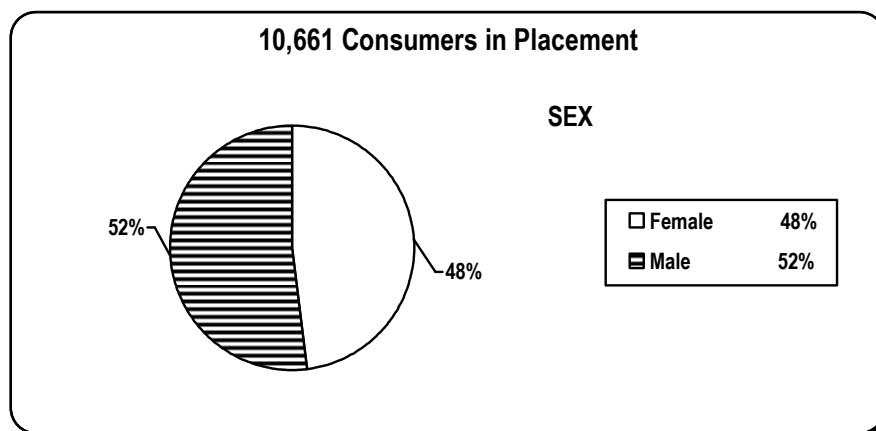
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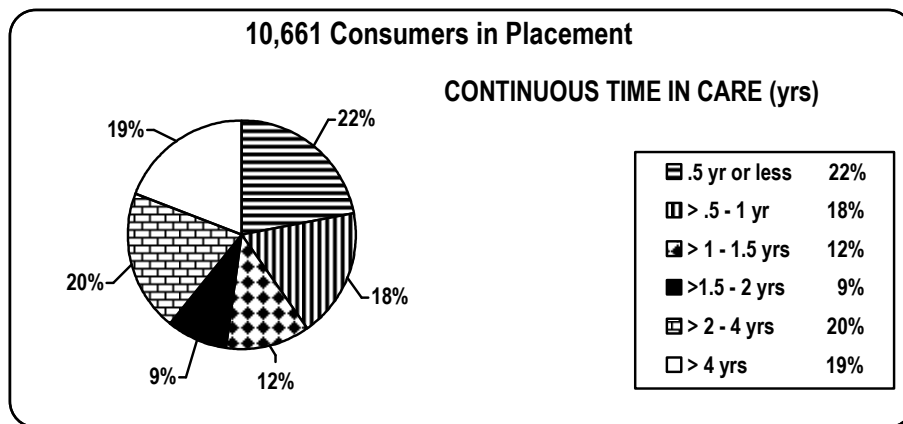
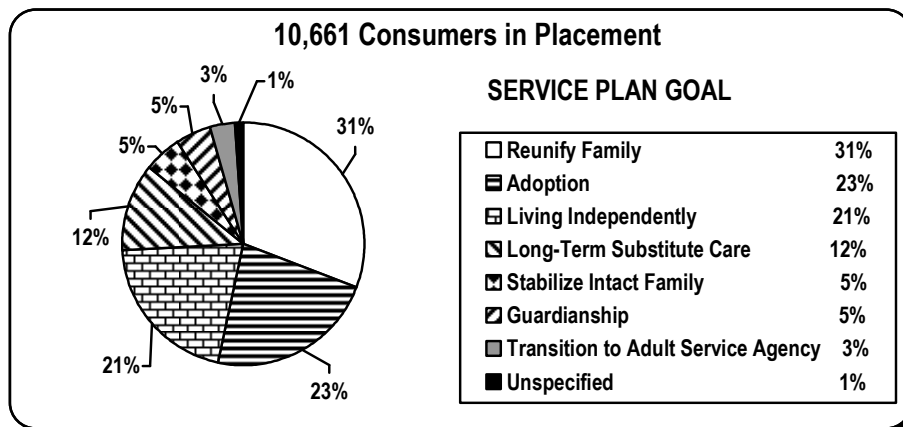
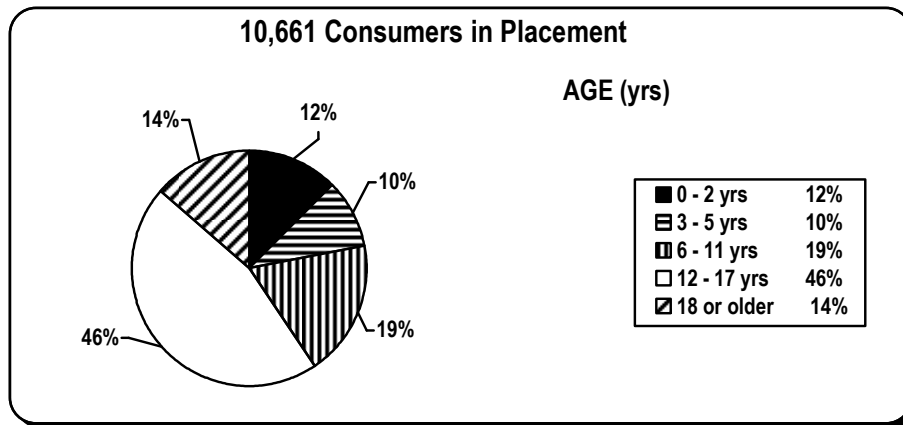
<sup>(2)</sup> Includes primarily families served through Central Office contracts.



**FIGURE 11A. CONSUMERS IN PLACEMENT BY SEX, RACE, AND HISPANIC ORIGIN  
STATEWIDE: FY'2007, End of 2ND QUARTER (12/31/06)**



**FIGURE 11B. CONSUMERS IN PLACEMENT BY AGE, SERVICE PLAN GOAL,  
AND CONTINUOUS TIME IN PLACEMENT**  
STATEWIDE: FY'2007, End of 2ND QUARTER (12/31/06)



**TABLE 7A. CONSUMERS IN PLACEMENT BY RACE AND CONTINUOUS TIME IN CARE:**  
**FY'2007, End of 2ND QUARTER (12/31/06)**

| Continuous Time in Care | Race of Consumers |      |       |      |       |      |          |      |                      |      |              |      |             |      | Total  |      |
|-------------------------|-------------------|------|-------|------|-------|------|----------|------|----------------------|------|--------------|------|-------------|------|--------|------|
|                         | Native            |      |       |      |       |      |          |      |                      |      |              |      |             |      |        |      |
|                         | White             |      | Black |      | Asian |      | American |      | Other <sup>(1)</sup> |      | Multi-Racial |      | Unspecified |      |        |      |
|                         | No.               | %    | No.   | %    | No.   | %    | No.      | %    | No.                  | %    | No.          | %    | No.         | %    | No.    | %    |
| (.5 yr or less)         | 1,402             | 22%  | 409   | 20%  | 43    | 27%  | 5        | 28%  | 4                    | 50%  | 108          | 24%  | 372         | 23%  | 2,343  | 22%  |
| (>.5 - 1 yr)            | 1,156             | 18%  | 352   | 17%  | 24    | 15%  | ---      | ---  | 2                    | 25%  | 75           | 17%  | 332         | 21%  | 1,941  | 18%  |
| (>1 - 1.5 yrs)          | 798               | 13%  | 223   | 11%  | 19    | 12%  | ---      | ---  | 1                    | 13%  | 60           | 13%  | 186         | 12%  | 1,289  | 12%  |
| (>1.5 - 2 yrs)          | 555               | 9%   | 173   | 8%   | 11    | 7%   | 2        | 11%  | ---                  | ---  | 49           | 11%  | 132         | 8%   | 922    | 9%   |
| (>2 - 4 yrs)            | 1,260             | 20%  | 452   | 22%  | 24    | 15%  | 6        | 33%  | ---                  | ---  | 103          | 23%  | 290         | 18%  | 2,135  | 20%  |
| > 4yrs                  | 1,195             | 19%  | 455   | 22%  | 40    | 25%  | 3        | 17%  | 1                    | 13%  | 56           | 12%  | 281         | 18%  | 2,031  | 19%  |
| Total                   | 6,366             | 100% | 2,064 | 100% | 161   | 100% | 18       | 100% | 8                    | 100% | 451          | 100% | 1,593       | 100% | 10,661 | 100% |

<sup>(1)</sup> Includes Native Hawaiian and Other Pacific Islanders.

**TABLE 7B. CONSUMERS IN PLACEMENT BY HISPANIC/LATINO ORIGIN AND CONTINUOUS TIME IN CARE: STATEWIDE**  
**FY'2007, End of 2ND QUARTER (12/31/06)**

| Continuous Time in Care | Hispanic/Latino Origin <sup>(1)</sup> of Consumers |      |               |      |             |      | Total  |      |
|-------------------------|--|------|---------------|------|-------------|------|--------|------|
|                         | Hispanic/  |      | Not Hispanic/ |      | Unspecified |      |        |      |
|                         | Latino   |      | Latino        |      |             |      | No.    | %    |
|                         | No.  | %    | No.           | %    | No.         | %    |        |      |
| (.5 yr or less)         | 551  | 21%  | 1,650         | 22%  | 142         | 27%  | 2,343  | 22%  |
| (>.5 - 1 yr)            | 505  | 19%  | 1,331         | 18%  | 105         | 20%  | 1,941  | 18%  |
| (>1 - 1.5 yrs)          | 323  | 12%  | 894           | 12%  | 72          | 14%  | 1,289  | 12%  |
| (>1.5 - 2 yrs)          | 238  | 9%   | 635           | 8%   | 49          | 9%   | 922    | 9%   |
| (>2 - 4 yrs)            | 508  | 19%  | 1,539         | 21%  | 88          | 17%  | 2,135  | 20%  |
| > 4yrs                  | 534  | 20%  | 1,431         | 19%  | 66          | 13%  | 2,031  | 19%  |
| Total                   | 2,659  | 100% | 7,480         | 100% | 522         | 100% | 10,661 | 100% |

<sup>(1)</sup> Consumers of any race who self-identify as being of Hispanic origin.

TABLE 8A. CONSUMERS IN PLACEMENT BY RACE AND SERVICE PLAN GOAL: STATEWIDE FY'2007, End of 2ND QUARTER (12/31/06)

| Service Plan Goal                  | Race of Consumers |     |       |     |       |    |                 |     |                      |     |              |    |             |     | Total  |      |
|------------------------------------|-------------------|-----|-------|-----|-------|----|-----------------|-----|----------------------|-----|--------------|----|-------------|-----|--------|------|
|                                    | White             |     | Black |     | Asian |    | Native American |     | Other <sup>(1)</sup> |     | Multi-Racial |    | Unspecified |     |        |      |
|                                    | No.               | %   | No.   | %   | No.   | %  | No.             | %   | No.                  | %   | No.          | %  | No.         | %   | No.    | %    |
|                                    |                   |     |       |     |       |    |                 |     |                      |     |              |    |             |     |        |      |
| Reunify Family                     | 2,027             | 62% | 519   | 16% | 59    | 2% | 6               | *   | 5                    | *   | 140          | 4% | 525         | 16% | 3,281  | 100% |
| Adoption                           | 1,410             | 58% | 410   | 17% | 16    | 1% | 2               | *   | ---                  | --- | 173          | 7% | 403         | 17% | 2,414  | 100% |
| Living Independently               | 1,260             | 57% | 573   | 26% | 45    | 2% | 7               | *   | 1                    | *   | 55           | 2% | 269         | 12% | 2,210  | 100% |
| Long-Term Substitute Care          | 742               | 59% | 270   | 22% | 19    | 2% | 2               | *   | ---                  | --- | 34           | 3% | 182         | 15% | 1,249  | 100% |
| Guardianship                       | 340               | 63% | 102   | 19% | 5     | 1% | ---             | --- | 1                    | --- | 22           | 4% | 67          | 12% | 537    | 100% |
| Stabilize Intact Family            | 294               | 60% | 84    | 17% | 10    | 2% | 1               | *   | 1                    | --- | 19           | 4% | 79          | 16% | 488    | 100% |
| Long-Term Care w/Adult Serv. Agen. | 229               | 65% | 76    | 21% | 3     | 1% | ---             | --- | ---                  | --- | 6            | 2% | 40          | 11% | 354    | 100% |
| Unspecified                        | 64                | 50% | 30    | 23% | 4     | 3% | ---             | --- | ---                  | --- | 2            | 2% | 28          | 22% | 128    | 100% |
| Total                              | 6,366             | 60% | 2,064 | 19% | 161   | 2% | 18              | *   | 8                    | *   | 451          | 4% | 1,593       | 15% | 10,661 | 100% |

<sup>(1)</sup> Includes Native Hawaiian and Other Pacific Islanders.

TABLE 8B. CONSUMERS IN PLACEMENT BY HISPANIC/LATINO ORIGIN AND SERVICE PLAN GOAL: STATEWIDE FY'2007, End of 2ND QUARTER (12/31/06)

| Service Plan Goal                  | Hispanic/Latino Origin <sup>(1)</sup> of Consumers |     |                         |     |             |     | Total<br>No. % |
|------------------------------------|--|-----|-------------------------|-----|-------------|-----|----------------|
|                                    | Hispanic/<br>Latino                                |     | Not Hispanic/<br>Latino |     | Unspecified |     |                |
|                                    | No.  | %   | No.                     | %   | No.         | %   |                |
| Reunify Family                     | 796  | 24% | 2,306                   | 70% | 179         | 5%  | 3,281 100%     |
| Adoption                           | 673  | 28% | 1,585                   | 66% | 156         | 6%  | 2,414 100%     |
| Living Independently               | 459  | 21% | 1,664                   | 75% | 87          | 4%  | 2,210 100%     |
| Long-Term Substitute Care          | 351  | 28% | 856                     | 69% | 42          | 3%  | 1,249 100%     |
| Guardianship                       | 122  | 23% | 395                     | 74% | 20          | 4%  | 537 100%       |
| Stabilize Intact Family            | 146  | 30% | 325                     | 67% | 17          | 3%  | 488 100%       |
| Long-Term Care w/Adult Serv. Agen. | 84   | 24% | 267                     | 75% | 3           | 1%  | 354 100%       |
| Unspecified                        | 28   | 22% | 82                      | 64% | 18          | 14% | 128 100%       |
| Total                              | 2,659  | 25% | 7,480                   | 70% | 522         | 5%  | 10,661 100%    |

<sup>(1)</sup> Consumers of any race who self-identify as being of Hispanic/Latino origin.

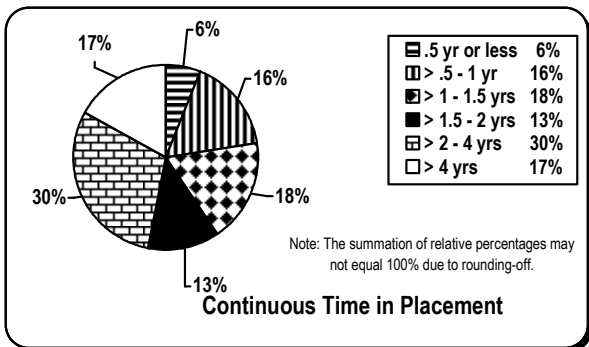
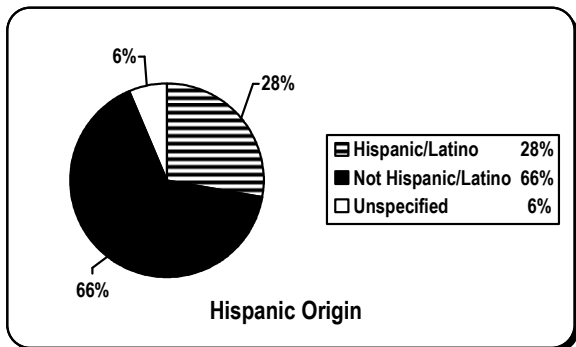
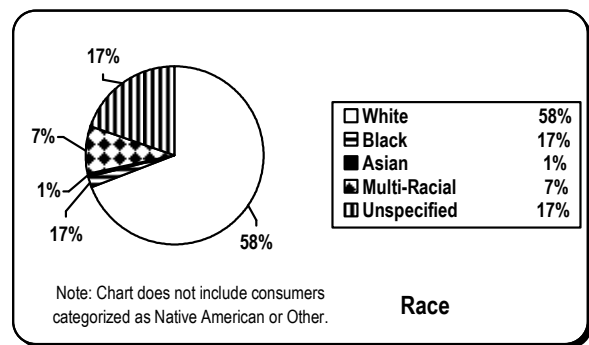
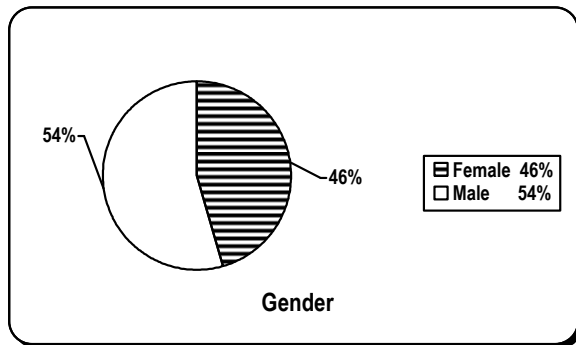
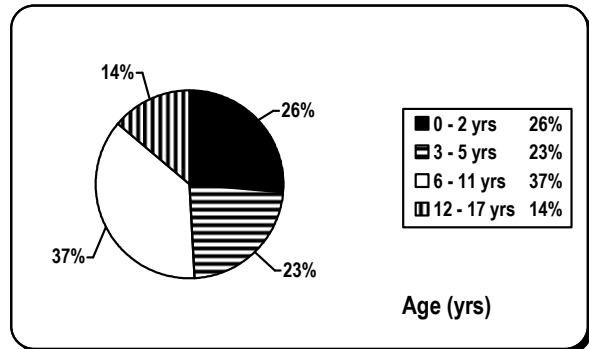
TABLE 8C. CONSUMERS IN PLACEMENT BY AGE GROUP AND SERVICE PLAN GOAL: STATEWIDE FY'2007, End of 2ND QUARTER (12/31/06)

| Service Plan Goal                  | Age Group of Consumers |     |             |     |              |     |               |     |             |     | Total  |      |
|------------------------------------|------------------------|-----|-------------|-----|--------------|-----|---------------|-----|-------------|-----|--------|------|
|                                    | (0 - 2 yrs)            |     | (3 - 5 yrs) |     | (6 - 11 yrs) |     | (12 - 17 yrs) |     | 18 or older |     |        |      |
|                                    | No.                    | %   | No.         | %   | No.          | %   | No.           | %   | No.         | %   | No.    | %    |
| Reunify Family                     | 562                    | 17% | 375         | 11% | 690          | 21% | 1,630         | 50% | 24          | 1%  | 3,281  | 100% |
| Adoption                           | 635                    | 26% | 551         | 23% | 888          | 37% | 335           | 14% | 5           | *   | 2,414  | 100% |
| Living Independently               | ---                    | --- | ---         | --- | ---          | --- | 1,071         | 48% | 1,139       | 52% | 2,210  | 100% |
| Long-Term Substitute Care          | 1                      | *   | 2           | *   | 114          | 9%  | 1,080         | 86% | 52          | 4%  | 1,249  | 100% |
| Guardianship                       | 24                     | 4%  | 42          | 8%  | 200          | 37% | 263           | 49% | 8           | 1%  | 537    | 100% |
| Stabilize Intact Family            | 59                     | 12% | 40          | 8%  | 72           | 15% | 295           | 60% | 22          | 5%  | 488    | 100% |
| Long-Term Care w/Adult Serv. Agen. | ---                    | --- | ---         | --- | 8            | 2%  | 140           | 40% | 206         | 58% | 354    | 100% |
| Unspecified                        | 45                     | 35% | 8           | 6%  | 7            | 5%  | 66            | 52% | 2           | 2%  | 128    | 100% |
| Total                              | 1,326                  | 12% | 1,018       | 10% | 1,979        | 19% | 4,880         | 46% | 1,458       | 14% | 10,661 | 100% |

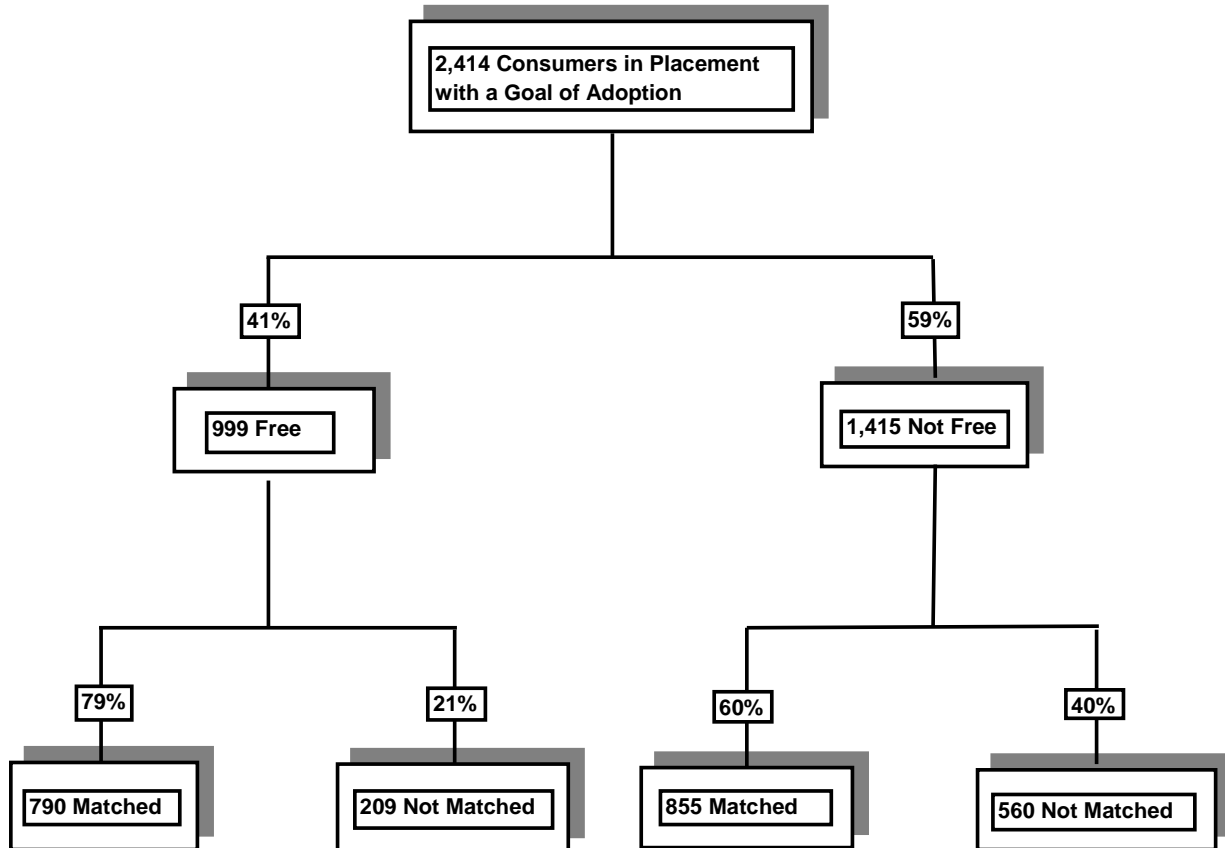
TABLE 8D. CONSUMERS IN PLACEMENT BY CONTINUOUS TIME IN PLACEMENT AND SERVICE PLAN GOAL: STATEWIDE FY'2007, End of 2ND QUARTER (12/31/06)

| Service Plan Goal                  | Continuous Time in Placement |     |               |     |                |     |                |     |              |     | Total |     |         |      |
|------------------------------------|------------------------------|-----|---------------|-----|----------------|-----|----------------|-----|--------------|-----|-------|-----|---------|------|
|                                    | (.5yr or less                |     | (> .5 - 1 yr) |     | (>1 - 1.5 yrs) |     | (>1.5 - 2 yrs) |     | (>2 - 4 yrs) |     |       |     | > 4 yrs |      |
|                                    | No.                          | %   | No.           | %   | No.            | %   | No.            | %   | No.          | %   | No.   | %   | No.     | %    |
| Reunify Family                     | 1,459                        | 44% | 1,044         | 32% | 385            | 12% | 166            | 5%  | 197          | 6%  | 30    | 1%  | 3,281   | 100% |
| Adoption                           | 149                          | 6%  | 394           | 16% | 436            | 18% | 305            | 13% | 723          | 30% | 407   | 17% | 2,414   | 100% |
| Living Independently               | 148                          | 7%  | 204           | 9%  | 224            | 10% | 171            | 8%  | 592          | 27% | 871   | 39% | 2,210   | 100% |
| Long-Term Substitute Care          | 64                           | 5%  | 118           | 9%  | 108            | 9%  | 136            | 11% | 370          | 30% | 453   | 36% | 1,249   | 100% |
| Guardianship                       | 21                           | 4%  | 74            | 14% | 91             | 17% | 120            | 22% | 155          | 29% | 76    | 14% | 537     | 100% |
| Stabilize Intact Family            | 369                          | 76% | 76            | 16% | 18             | 4%  | 4              | 1%  | 14           | 3%  | 7     | 1%  | 488     | 100% |
| Long-Term Care w/Adult Serv. Agen. | 16                           | 5%  | 27            | 8%  | 24             | 7%  | 19             | 5%  | 81           | 23% | 187   | 53% | 354     | 100% |
| Unspecified                        | 117                          | 91% | 4             | 3%  | 3              | 2%  | 1              | *   | 3            | 2%  | ---   | --- | 128     | 100% |
| Total                              | 2,343                        | 22% | 1,941         | 18% | 1,289          | 12% | 922            | 9%  | 2,135        | 20% | 2,031 | 19% | 10,661  | 100% |

**Figure 12A. Age, Sex, Race, Hispanic Origin, and Continuous Time in Placement  
of Consumers with a Goal of Adoption  
FY'2007, End of 2ND QUARTER (12/31/06)**



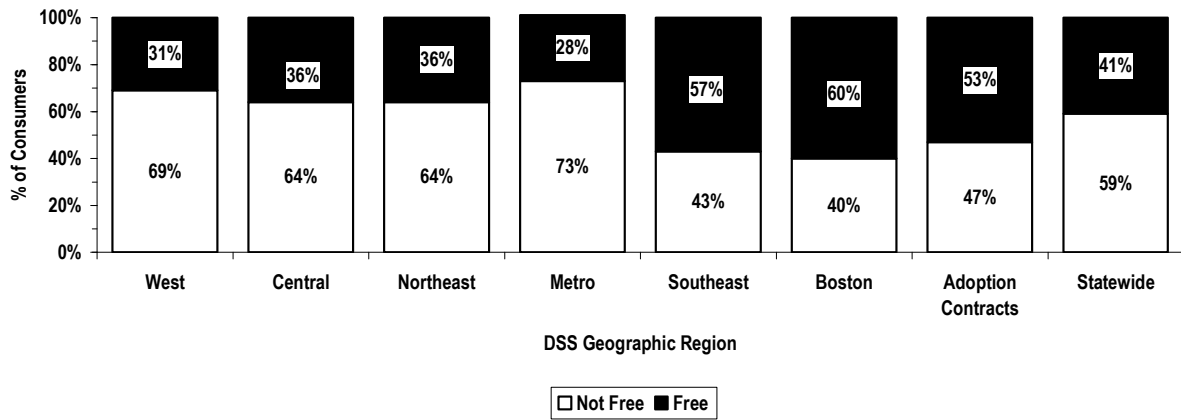
**Figure 12B. Consumers in Placement with a Goal of Adoption:  
Legal Status and Match Status  
FY'2007, End of 2ND QUARTER (12/31/06)**



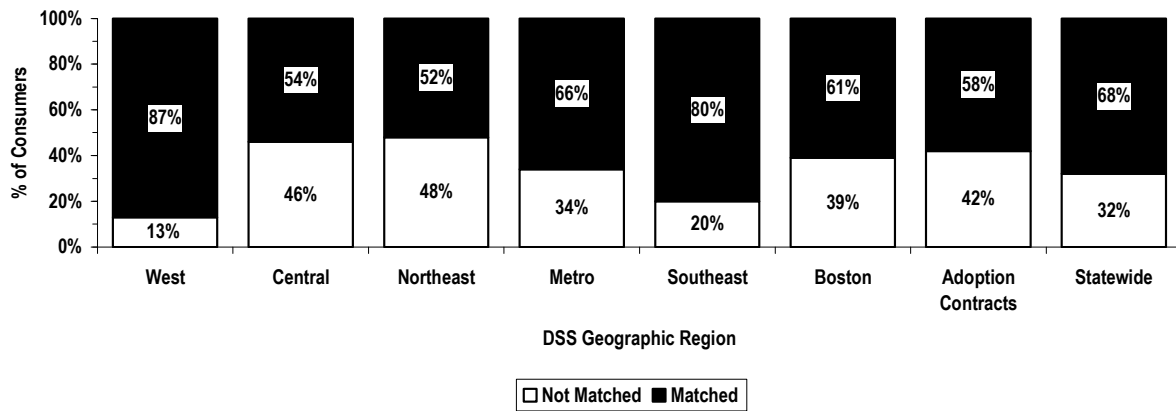
Note: Free = Legally Free for Adoption

Matched = Matched to a Permanent Family

**FIGURE 12C. Consumers in Placement with a Goal of Adoption and Legally Freed Status  
FY'07, End of 2ND QUARTER (12/31/06)**



**FIGURE 12D. Consumers in Placement with a Goal of Adoption  
and Whether Matched to a Permanent Family  
FY'07, End of 2ND QUARTER (12/31/06)**



### **Case Intakes (Openings)**

- Beginning with the 1<sup>st</sup> Quarter of FY'2007, a programming change was made in order to pick up case openings missed in prior reports (short-term openings and closings within the quarter). This programming modification resulted in an increase of 317 case openings and 943 consumers with case openings (both counts are unduplicated) during the quarter. Consequently, these intake statistics cannot be compared with previous quarters. Monitoring for trends will need to proceed from this point forward (**Fig. 14**).
- During the 2<sup>nd</sup> Quarter of FY'2007, there were 3,973 case openings (unduplicated) and 16,187 consumer openings (unduplicated). Case openings include both new cases and cases that previously had been closed by DSS. Consumers who entered the DSS system during the quarter include both members of new cases and new members of ongoing cases, as well as re-opened consumers (previously opened and closed). (**Tables 9A and 9B**)
- Eighty-one percent of case intakes and 85% of consumer intakes were due to supported abuse/neglect reports. (**Tables 9A and 9B**)
- Voluntary requests for services accounted for 9% of case intakes and 7% of consumer intakes. (**Tables 9A and 9B**)
- CHINS referrals amounted to 7% of case intakes and 6% of consumer intakes. (**Tables 9A and 9B**)
- The proportion of case openings by type of intake is presented for each region in Fig. 13. Supported reports accounted for 79-87% of the total intakes for each region. The Boston and Northeastern Regions had the largest proportions of CHINS referrals (10% and 9%, respectively). Voluntary requests were most significant in the Metro (14%), Central (11%), and Boston (10%) Regions. (**Fig. 13, Table 9A**)
- The regional counts of CHINS referrals ranged from 18 (Metro) to 63 (Northeast). Voluntary requests were highest in Metro (84 case openings). Case intakes via supported reports of child maltreatment were most numerous in the West and Southeast (**Table 9A**). The Southeast and West had the highest numbers of supported investigations during the 2<sup>nd</sup> Quarter of FY'2007 (See **Table 14** on page 50).
- Statewide and regionally, case openings are lowest in the 1<sup>st</sup> quarter. (**Fig. 14**). This quarterly trend in case openings is driven by reports and investigations. Reports and investigations are lowest in the 1<sup>st</sup> quarter (summer vacation) then rise during the school year (**Figs. 20 and 21** on page 52).



**TABLE 9A. CASE INTAKES DURING THE QUARTER BY TYPE OF INITIAL CONTACT AND DSS REGION:**  
**FY'2007, 2ND QUARTER (10/1/06 - 12/31/06)**

| DSS<br>Geographic<br>Region       | Case Counts <sup>(1)</sup> |      |                    |     |                                       |     |                      |     |             |     | Total<br><br>No. |
|-----------------------------------|----------------------------|------|--------------------|-----|---------------------------------------|-----|----------------------|-----|-------------|-----|------------------|
|                                   | Supported<br>CA/N Reports  |      | CHINS<br>Referrals |     | Voluntary<br>Requests<br>for Services |     | Other <sup>(2)</sup> |     | Unspecified |     |                  |
|                                   |                            |      |                    |     |                                       |     |                      |     |             |     |                  |
|                                   |                            |      |                    |     |                                       |     |                      |     |             |     |                  |
| No.                               | %                          | No.  | %                  | No. | %                                     | No. | %                    | No. | %           |     |                  |
| Western                           | 673                        | 87%  | 53                 | 7%  | 29                                    | 4%  | 12                   | 2%  | 3           | *   | 770              |
| Central                           | 457                        | 81%  | 39                 | 7%  | 60                                    | 11% | 6                    | 1%  | ---         | --- | 562              |
| Northeast                         | 561                        | 80%  | 63                 | 9%  | 50                                    | 7%  | 26                   | 4%  | 1           | *   | 701              |
| Metro                             | 474                        | 81%  | 18                 | 3%  | 84                                    | 14% | 9                    | 2%  | 1           | *   | 586              |
| Southeast                         | 649                        | 79%  | 44                 | 5%  | 72                                    | 9%  | 53                   | 6%  | 2           | *   | 820              |
| Boston                            | 447                        | 79%  | 54                 | 10% | 59                                    | 10% | 4                    | 1%  | ---         | --- | 564              |
| Adoption Contracts <sup>(3)</sup> | 2                          | 100% | ---                | --- | ---                                   | --- | ---                  | --- | ---         | --- | 2                |
| Total                             | 3,263                      | 81%  | 271                | 7%  | 354                                   | 9%  | 110                  | 3%  | 7           | *   | 4,005            |

<sup>(1)</sup> Case openings include both new cases and cases that previously had been closed. The total summation for each DSS Region is a duplicated count because some families had more than one case opening in a quarter by more than one type of initial contact. The unduplicated count of total case openings is **3,973**.

<sup>(2)</sup> Includes Court Referral, Institutional Abuse/Neglect, and Other.

<sup>(3)</sup> Licensed private adoption agencies that contract with DSS to provide case management services.

**TABLE 9B. CONSUMER INTAKES DURING THE QUARTER BY TYPE OF INITIAL CONTACT AND DSS REGION:**  
**FY'2007, 2ND QUARTER (10/1/06 - 12/31/06)**

| DSS<br>Geographic<br>Region       | Consumer Counts <sup>(1)</sup> |      |       |     |                                       |     |                      |     |             |     | Total<br>No. |
|-----------------------------------|--------------------------------|------|-------|-----|---------------------------------------|-----|----------------------|-----|-------------|-----|--------------|
|                                   | Supported                      |      | CHINS |     | Voluntary<br>Requests<br>for Services |     | Other <sup>(2)</sup> |     | Unspecified |     |              |
|                                   | CA/N Reports<br>No.            | %    | No.   | %   | No.                                   | %   | No.                  | %   | No.         | %   |              |
| Western                           | 2,927                          | 91%  | 134   | 4%  | 100                                   | 3%  | 40                   | 1%  | 4           | *   | 3,205        |
| Central                           | 2,062                          | 84%  | 153   | 6%  | 224                                   | 9%  | 19                   | 1%  | ---         | --- | 2,458        |
| Northeast                         | 2,376                          | 83%  | 222   | 8%  | 152                                   | 5%  | 110                  | 4%  | 1           | *   | 2,861        |
| Metro                             | 1,949                          | 83%  | 75    | 3%  | 295                                   | 13% | 32                   | 1%  | 1           | *   | 2,352        |
| Southeast                         | 2,723                          | 82%  | 162   | 5%  | 242                                   | 7%  | 184                  | 6%  | 2           | *   | 3,313        |
| Boston                            | 1,772                          | 83%  | 162   | 8%  | 182                                   | 9%  | 9                    | *   | ---         | --- | 2,125        |
| Adoption Contracts <sup>(3)</sup> | 4                              | 100% | ---   | --- | ---                                   | --- | ---                  | --- | ---         | --- | 4            |
| Total                             | 13,813                         | 85%  | 908   | 6%  | 1,195                                 | 7%  | 394                  | 2%  | 8           | *   | 16,318       |

\* = Less than 1% after rounding-off

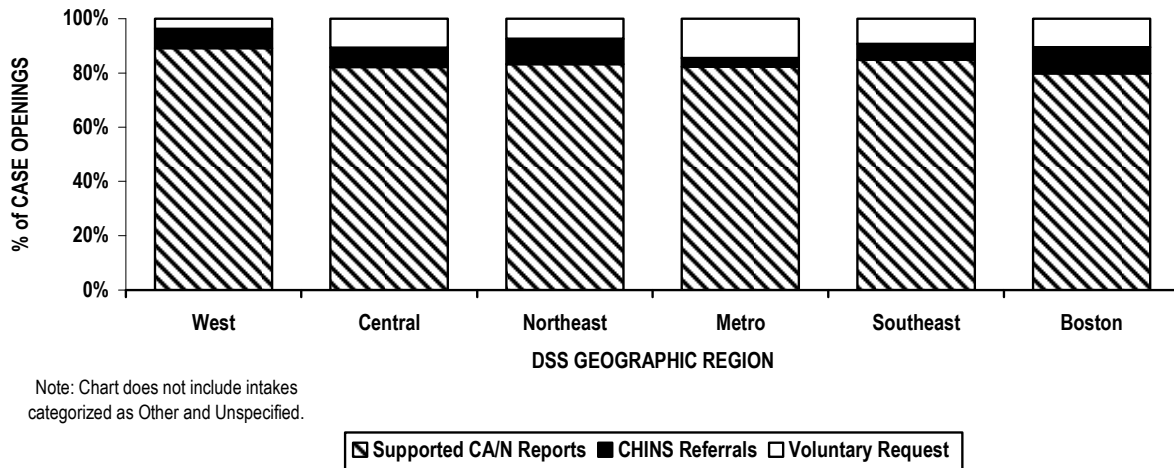
Note: The summation of relative percentages may not equal 100% due to rounding-off.

<sup>(1)</sup> Counts of consumers with case openings or newly added to ongoing cases during the quarter. The total summation for each DSS Region is a duplicated count because some consumers had more than one type of initial contact during the quarter. The unduplicated count of total consumers with case openings or newly added to ongoing cases is **16,187**.

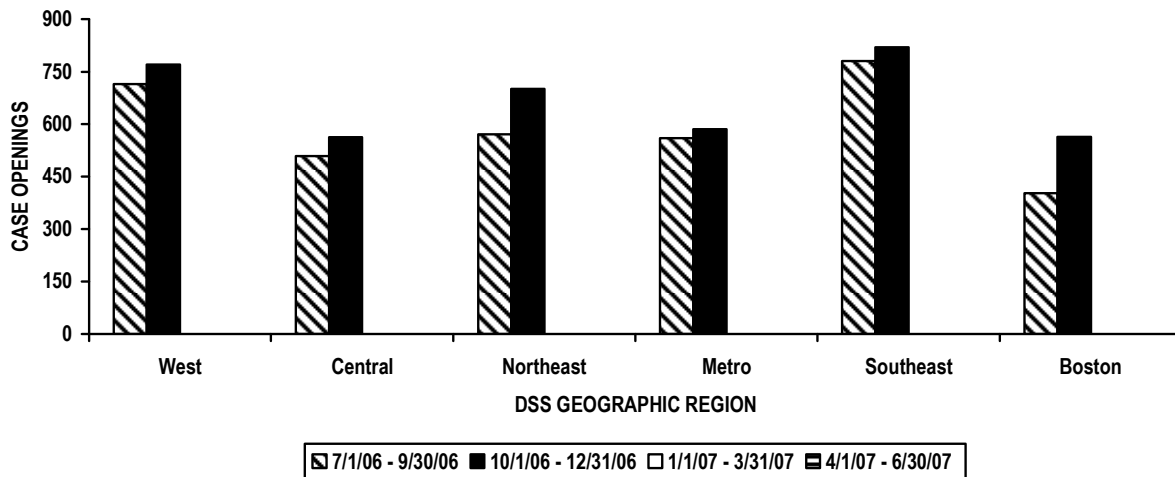
<sup>(2)</sup> Includes Court Referral, Institutional Abuse/Neglect, and Other.

<sup>(3)</sup> Licensed private adoption agencies that contract with DSS to provide case management services.

**FIGURE 13. REASON FOR CASE OPENINGS BY DSS REGION  
FY'2007, 1ST QUARTER (10/1/06 - 12/31/06)**



**FIGURE 14. INTAKES (CASE OPENINGS) BY DSS REGION  
(FY'2007, 1ST QUARTER - FY'2007, 4TH QUARTER)**



NOTE: Due to a new selection criteria for case openings, counts for FY'2007, Q1 cannot be compared to previous quarters. New quarters will be added as time progresses.

## **Consumers Entering and Leaving Placement during the Quarter**

- Revised counts of consumers entering placement during the 1<sup>st</sup> Quarter of FY'2007 are displayed in table 10A on page 41. These numbers should be substituted for the counts presented in Table 10 of the DSS Quarterly Report for FY'2007, 1<sup>st</sup> Quarter.
- During the 2<sup>nd</sup> Quarter of FY'2007, 1,907 consumers started at least one placement and 1,870 consumers left at least one placement.<sup>17</sup> These counts of placement dynamics do not include consumers who changed placements during the quarter. (Tables 10B and 11)

### **Entries to Placement**

- There was a 4% increase in first-time entrants to placement during the 2<sup>nd</sup> Quarter of FY'2007 as compared to the 1<sup>st</sup> Quarter of FY'2007. Re-entrants declined 4% from the 1<sup>st</sup> Quarter to 2<sup>nd</sup> Quarter. (Tables 10A and 10B)
- Of those consumers who entered a placement setting during the 2<sup>nd</sup> Quarter of FY'2007, 62% were first-time entrants and 38% were re-entrants.<sup>18</sup> Regionally, the proportion of first-time entrants ranged from 56% in the West to 68% in Central. (Table 10B, Fig. 15)
- The largest proportion of consumers entering placement (first-time entrants and re-entrants combined) occurred in the West (20% of statewide entrants). (Table 10B)
- Across the state, 69% of all entrants were placed in foster care, 25% were placed in congregate care,<sup>19</sup> and 6% were placed in non-referral locations.<sup>20</sup> (Table 10B)
- Statewide, first-time entrants to placement were more likely than re-entrants to be placed in foster care. Seventy-three percent of first-time entrants and 62% of re-entrants were placed in foster homes. Conversely, 31% of re-entrants and 22% of first-time entrants were placed in congregate care. (Table 10B)
- Metro was the only region where re-entrants to congregate care exceeded re-entrants to foster care. Compared to other regions, Metro placed a higher proportion of re-entrants (50%) into congregate care. At the other extreme, the Western Region placed 11% of re-entrants into congregate care (and 85% of re-entrants into foster care). (Table 10B, Fig. 16)

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<sup>17</sup> For individuals with multiple entries and exits during the quarter, only the first entry and last exit were selected.

<sup>18</sup> Re-entrants are consumers who had been in placement at some point in the past.

<sup>19</sup> Congregate Care includes Group Home, Residential Treatment, and short-term residential placement (Stabilization and Rapid Reintegration, STARR).

<sup>20</sup> Non-referral locations include hospitals and other state agencies.

### **Exits from Placement**

- Statewide, 63% of the consumers leaving a placement setting were returned home. The proportion returned home ranged from 57% in Boston to 68% in Metro. **(Table 11)**
- Statewide, 14% of consumers leaving placement were adopted, 8% were emancipated, and 5% were granted guardianships. Regionally, the proportion of consumers adopted ranged from 10% in the Northeast to 17% in the West; emancipated consumers ranged from 6% in Metro to 10% in the Northeast; and consumers with guardianships ranged from 2% in the Northeast to 9% in the Southeast. **(Table 11)**

TABLE 10A. CONSUMERS ENTERING PLACEMENT DURING THE QUARTER BY DSS REGION:

FY'2007, 1ST QUARTER (7/1/06 - 9/30/06)

|               |                                      | DSS Geographic Region |         |           |       |           |        |                      | Total |
|---------------|--------------------------------------|-----------------------|---------|-----------|-------|-----------|--------|----------------------|-------|
| Entry Type    | Placement Location Started           | West                  | Central | Northeast | Metro | Southeast | Boston | Other <sup>(1)</sup> |       |
| New Entrants: |                                      | 264                   | 170     | 172       | 177   | 247       | 102    | 4                    | 1,136 |
|               | Foster Care                          | 221                   | 121     | 117       | 117   | 205       | 73     | 4                    | 858   |
|               | Congregate Care                      | 34                    | 41      | 53        | 52    | 34        | 25     | ---                  | 239   |
|               | Non-Referral Location <sup>(2)</sup> | 9                     | 8       | 2         | 8     | 8         | 4      | ---                  | 39    |
| Re-Entrants:  |                                      | 155                   | 125     | 133       | 110   | 146       | 82     | 1                    | 752   |
|               | Foster Care                          | 122                   | 85      | 57        | 54    | 90        | 48     | 1                    | 457   |
|               | Congregate Care                      | 28                    | 35      | 61        | 44    | 49        | 23     | ---                  | 240   |
|               | Non-Referral Location <sup>(2)</sup> | 5                     | 5       | 15        | 12    | 7         | 11     | ---                  | 55    |
| Total         |                                      | 419                   | 295     | 305       | 287   | 393       | 184    | 5                    | 1,888 |

TABLE 10B. CONSUMERS ENTERING PLACEMENT DURING THE QUARTER BY DSS REGION:

FY'2007, 2ND QUARTER (10/1/06 - 12/31/06)

|               |                                      | DSS Geographic Region |         |           |       |           |        |                      | Total |
|---------------|--------------------------------------|-----------------------|---------|-----------|-------|-----------|--------|----------------------|-------|
| Entry Type    | Placement Location Started           | West                  | Central | Northeast | Metro | Southeast | Boston | Other <sup>(1)</sup> |       |
| New Entrants: |                                      | 215                   | 189     | 197       | 216   | 221       | 140    | 6                    | 1,184 |
|               | Foster Care                          | 178                   | 153     | 126       | 128   | 164       | 112    | 6                    | 867   |
|               | Congregate Care                      | 28                    | 30      | 54        | 75    | 48        | 21     | ---                  | 256   |
|               | Non-Referral Location <sup>(2)</sup> | 9                     | 6       | 17        | 13    | 9         | 7      | ---                  | 61    |
| Re-Entrants:  |                                      | 169                   | 91      | 148       | 122   | 117       | 75     | 1                    | 723   |
|               | Foster Care                          | 143                   | 52      | 70        | 54    | 80        | 45     | 1                    | 445   |
|               | Congregate Care                      | 19                    | 32      | 64        | 61    | 28        | 21     | ---                  | 225   |
|               | Non-Referral Location <sup>(2)</sup> | 7                     | 7       | 14        | 7     | 9         | 9      | ---                  | 53    |
| Total         |                                      | 384                   | 280     | 345       | 338   | 338       | 215    | 7                    | 1,907 |

<sup>(1)</sup> Includes primarily families served through Central Office contracts.<sup>(2)</sup> Includes hospitals and other state agencies.

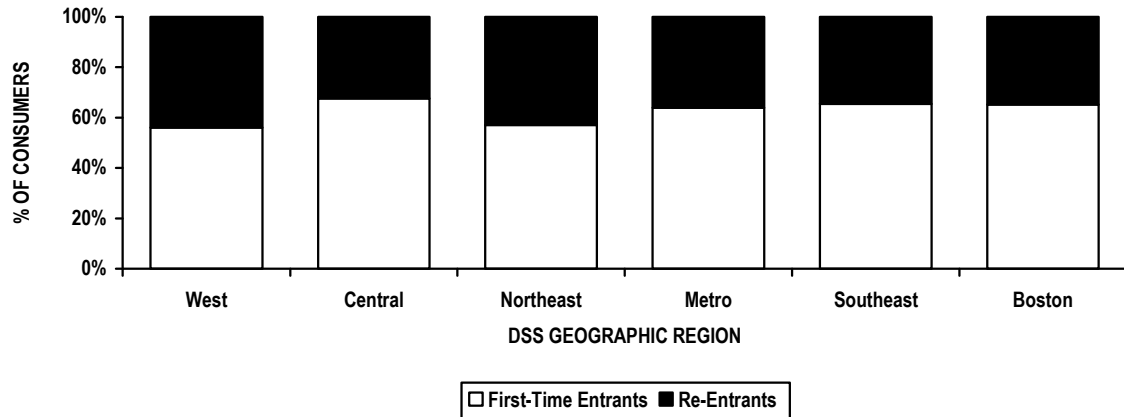
TABLE 11. CONSUMERS LEAVING PLACEMENT DURING THE QUARTER BY DSS REGION:

FY'2007, 2ND QUARTER (10/1/06 - 12/31/06)

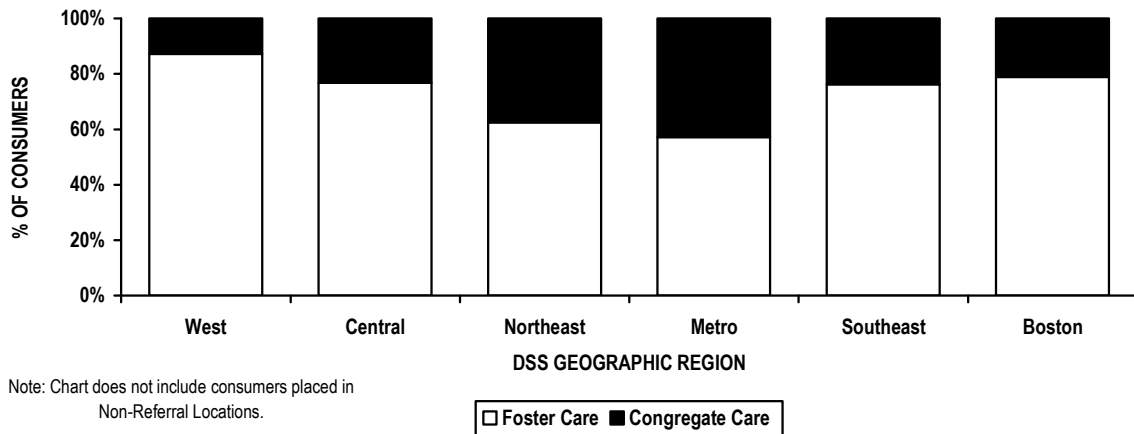
|                                       |  | DSS Geographic Region |         |           |       |           |        |                      | Total |
|---------------------------------------|--|-----------------------|---------|-----------|-------|-----------|--------|----------------------|-------|
| Reason Placement Ended                |  | West                  | Central | Northeast | Metro | Southeast | Boston | Other <sup>(1)</sup> |       |
| Child Returned Home                   |  | 234                   | 177     | 201       | 218   | 228       | 112    | ---                  | 1,170 |
| Consumer Adopted                      |  | 66                    | 42      | 30        | 46    | 56        | 23     | ---                  | 263   |
| Child 18 or Older                     |  | 30                    | 22      | 29        | 18    | 29        | 14     | 3                    | 145   |
| Guardianship                          |  | 19                    | 11      | 6         | 11    | 34        | 14     | ---                  | 95    |
| Custody to Other Individual           |  | 24                    | 7       | 18        | 13    | 7         | 14     | ---                  | 83    |
| Custody to Other Agency               |  |                       | 4       | 1         | 2     | 5         | 1      | ---                  | 13    |
| Custody to Other Individual or Agency |  | 3                     | ---     | ---       | ---   | ---       | ---    | ---                  | 3     |
| Consumer Deceased                     |  | ---                   | ---     | ---       | 1     | ---       | ---    | ---                  | 1     |
| Unspecified                           |  | 17                    | 16      | 17        | 10    | 17        | 20     | ---                  | 97    |
| Total                                 |  | 393                   | 279     | 302       | 319   | 376       | 198    | 3                    | 1,870 |

<sup>(1)</sup> Includes primarily families served through Central Office contracts.

**FIGURE 15. CONSUMERS ENTERING PLACEMENT  
DURING THE QUARTER (FIRST-TIME ENTRANTS AND RE-ENTRANTS)  
FY'2007, 2ND QUARTER (10/1/06 - 12/31/06)**

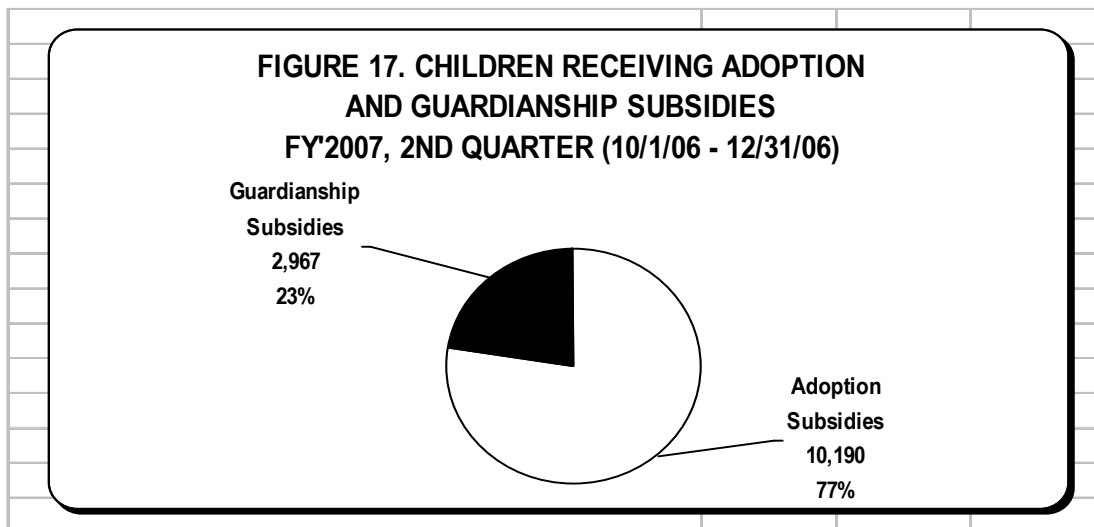


**FIGURE 16. ALL CONSUMERS ENTERING PLACEMENT DURING THE QUARTER  
TO FOSTER AND CONGREGATE CARE  
FY'2007, 2ND QUARTER (10/1/06 - 12/31/06)**



### Adoption and Guardianship Subsidies

- At the end of the 2<sup>nd</sup> Quarter of FY'2007, the total number of children receiving adoption subsidies was 10,190. Guardianship subsidies totaled 2,967. (Fig. 17)



From the 1<sup>st</sup> Quarter to the 2<sup>nd</sup> Quarter of FY'2007, adoption subsidies rose less than 1% and guardianship subsidies fell 2%. Typically, adoption subsidies increase about 1% each quarter while guardianship subsidies increase around 1-3% (See table below). The declines in adoption and guardianship subsidies during the 1<sup>st</sup> Quarter of FY'2007 resulted from a concerted effort to close service referrals that were active but not disbursing funds.

|                         | Subsidies (Active Service Referrals) |                  |              |                  |
|-------------------------|--------------------------------------|------------------|--------------|------------------|
|                         | Adoption                             |                  | Guardianship |                  |
| Quarter                 | No.                                  | Quarterly Change | No.          | Quarterly Change |
| FY'2004 1 <sup>st</sup> | 9,605                                | 1%               | 2,839        | *                |
| 2 <sup>nd</sup>         | 9,616                                | *                | 2,866        | 1%               |
| 3 <sup>rd</sup>         | 9,712                                | 1%               | 2,944        | 3%               |
| 4 <sup>th</sup>         | 9,859                                | 2%               | 2,996        | 2%               |
| FY'2005 1 <sup>st</sup> | 9,954                                | 1%               | 3,002        | *                |
| 2 <sup>nd</sup>         | 10,081                               | 1%               | 3,081        | 3%               |
| 3 <sup>rd</sup>         | 10,002                               | -1%              | 3,050        | -1%              |
| 4 <sup>th</sup>         | 10,146                               | 1%               | 3,083        | 1%               |
| FY'2006 1 <sup>st</sup> | 10,113                               | *                | 3,073        | *                |
| 2 <sup>nd</sup>         | 10,224                               | 1%               | 3,098        | 1%               |
| 3 <sup>rd</sup>         | 10,322                               | 1%               | 3,119        | 1%               |
| 4 <sup>th</sup>         | 10,463                               | 1%               | 3,115        | *                |
| FY'2007 1 <sup>st</sup> | 10,149                               | -3%              | 3,017        | -3%              |
| 2 <sup>nd</sup>         | 10,190                               | *                | 2,967        | -2%              |

- \* = less than 1% after rounding-off

### **Foster Homes**<sup>1</sup>

- At the end of the 2<sup>nd</sup> Quarter of FY'2007, there were 4,595 foster homes under the direct supervision of DSS. Included in this total are kinship and child-specific (restricted) homes<sup>2</sup> as well as unrestricted homes.<sup>3</sup> Unrestricted foster homes accounted for 48% (2,220) of the foster home total while restricted foster homes amounted to 52% (2,375). **(Table 12A)**
- From the 3<sup>rd</sup> Quarter of FY'1998 to 2<sup>nd</sup> Quarter of FY'2007, restricted homes as a proportion of all foster homes gradually increased from 29% to 52%. **(See graph on next page)**
- Statewide, 78% of foster parents in unrestricted homes were White and 61% were married. **(Tables 12A and 12C)**
- Statewide, 73% of the foster parents in restricted homes were White and 52% were married. **(Tables 12A and 12C)**
- Thirteen percent (597) of all foster homes were identified as Black (331 restricted and 266 unrestricted). **(Table 12A)**
- Sixteen percent (744) of all foster homes were identified as Hispanic/Latino (364 restricted and 380 unrestricted). **(Table 12B)**

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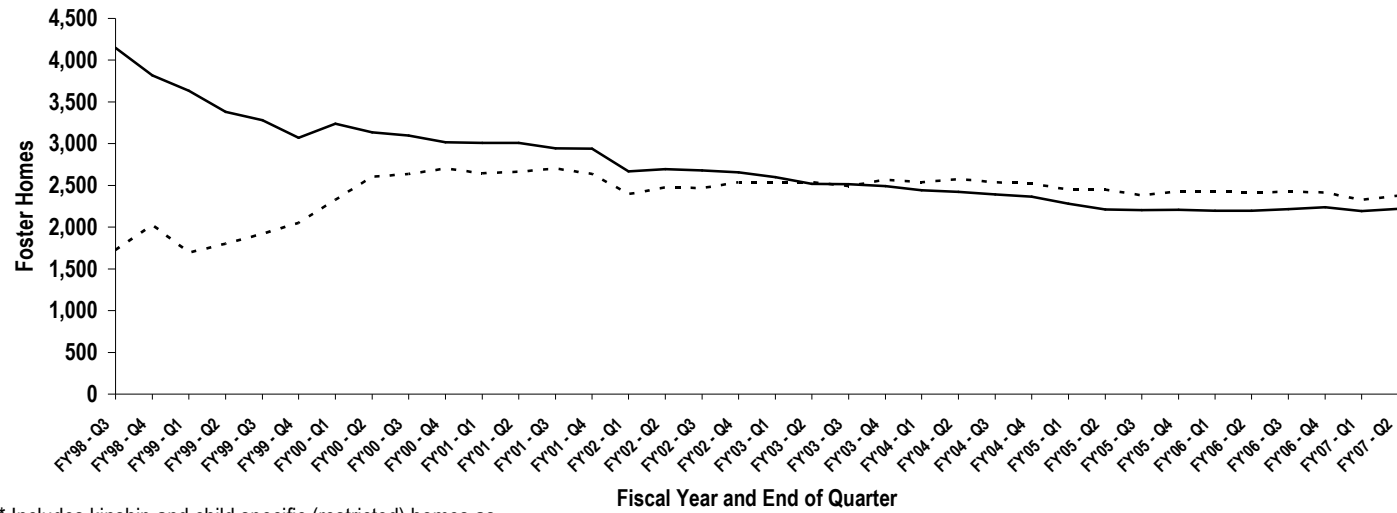
<sup>1</sup> Foster homes provide formal, temporary out-of-home placement to children who are in the care/custody of DSS. Foster families may be related or unrelated to the child.

<sup>2</sup> Child-specific and kinship placements occur (1) when a court orders a child to be placed in a specific foster home; or (2) when a child requires placement and the child or his/her parent(s) has proposed another home in which the child can be placed; or (3) when DSS places a child with relatives or with a caregiver who is known to the child's family. Placements in kinship and child-specific homes are limited to specified children.

<sup>3</sup> Unrestricted placements are those where DSS places a child with a non-relative foster family. Unlike restricted homes (child specific and kinship), the unrestricted home is not limited to a particular child.



# **RESTRICTED AND UNRESTRICTED FOSTER HOMES\*** **End of 3rd Quarter of FY'1998 (3/31/98) to End of 2nd Quarter of FY'2007 (12/31/06)**



\* Includes kinship and child specific (restricted) homes as well as unrestricted homes.

— Unrestricted - - - - - Restricted

TABLE 12A. PROFILE OF FOSTER HOMES BY RACE AND DSS REGION: FY2007, End of 2ND QUARTER (12/31/06) <sup>(1)</sup>

| Provider<br>Status   | DSS Geographic Region |     |         |     |           |     |       |     |           |     |        |     |     |     | Adoption<br>Contracts <sup>(2)</sup> | Total<br>No. % |
|----------------------|-----------------------|-----|---------|-----|-----------|-----|-------|-----|-----------|-----|--------|-----|-----|-----|--------------------------------------|----------------|
|                      | West                  |     | Central |     | Northeast |     | Metro |     | Southeast |     | Boston |     |     |     |                                      |                |
|                      | No.                   | %   | No.     | %   | No.       | %   | No.   | %   | No.       | %   | No.    | %   |     |     |                                      |                |
| Restricted:          | 469                   |     | 338     |     | 400       |     | 317   |     | 589       |     | 223    |     | 39  |     | 2,375                                |                |
| White                | 381                   | 81% | 233     | 69% | 305       | 76% | 259   | 82% | 470       | 80% | 78     | 35% | 17  | 44% | 1,743                                | 73%            |
| Black                | 52                    | 11% | 17      | 5%  | 27        | 7%  | 30    | 9%  | 79        | 13% | 111    | 50% | 15  | 38% | 331                                  | 14%            |
| Asian                | ---                   | --- | 2       | 1%  | 18        | 5%  | 1     | *   | 2         | *   | 2      | 1%  | 1   | 3%  | 26                                   | 1%             |
| Native American      | ---                   | --- | ---     | --- | ---       | --- | ---   | --- | 3         | 1%  | ---    | --- | --- | --- | 3                                    | *              |
| Other <sup>(3)</sup> | ---                   | --- | ---     | --- | 1         | *   | ---   | --- | ---       | --- | ---    | --- | --- | --- | 1                                    | *              |
| Multi-Racial         | 3                     | 1%  | 1       | *   | 4         | 1%  | 2     | 1%  | ---       | --- | ---    | --- | --- | --- | 10                                   | *              |
| Unspecified          | 33                    | 7%  | 85      | 25% | 45        | 11% | 25    | 8%  | 35        | 6%  | 32     | 14% | 6   | 15% | 261                                  | 11%            |
| Unrestricted:        | 520                   |     | 348     |     | 291       |     | 320   |     | 488       |     | 179    |     | 74  |     | 2,220                                |                |
| White                | 411                   | 79% | 304     | 87% | 230       | 79% | 276   | 86% | 401       | 82% | 51     | 28% | 69  | 93% | 1,742                                | 78%            |
| Black                | 60                    | 12% | 21      | 6%  | 9         | 3%  | 32    | 10% | 38        | 8%  | 102    | 57% | 4   | 5%  | 266                                  | 12%            |
| Asian                | 1                     | *   | ---     | --- | 13        | 4%  | ---   | --- | 3         | 1%  | 2      | 1%  | --- | --- | 19                                   | 1%             |
| Native American      | ---                   | --- | ---     | --- | ---       | --- | ---   | --- | 7         | 1%  | ---    | --- | --- | --- | 7                                    | *              |
| Multi-Racial         | 35                    | 7%  | 1       | *   | 3         | 1%  | 1     | *   | ---       | --- | 1      | 1%  | --- | --- | 41                                   | 2%             |
| Unspecified          | 13                    | 3%  | 22      | 6%  | 36        | 12% | 11    | 3%  | 39        | 8%  | 23     | 13% | 1   | 1%  | 145                                  | 7%             |
| Total                | 989                   |     | 686     |     | 691       |     | 637   |     | 1,077     |     | 402    |     | 113 |     | 4,595                                |                |

<sup>(1)</sup> Includes kinship and child specific (restricted) homes as well as unrestricted homes.

\* = Less than 1% after rounding-off

<sup>(2)</sup> Licensed private adoption agencies that contract with DSS to provide case management services.<sup>(3)</sup> Includes Native Hawaiian and Other Pacific Islanders.TABLE 12B. PROFILE OF FOSTER HOMES BY HISPANIC ORIGIN AND DSS REGION: FY2007, End of 2ND QUARTER (12/31/06) <sup>(1)</sup>

| DSS Geographic Region |      |     |         |     |           |     |       |     |           |     |        |     |     |     | Adoption<br>Contracts <sup>(2)</sup> |     | Total |  |
|-----------------------|------|-----|---------|-----|-----------|-----|-------|-----|-----------|-----|--------|-----|-----|-----|--------------------------------------|-----|-------|--|
| Provider              | West |     | Central |     | Northeast |     | Metro |     | Southeast |     | Boston |     |     |     |                                      |     |       |  |
| Status                | No.  | %   | No.     | %   | No.       | %   | No.   | %   | No.       | %   | No.    | %   | No. | %   | No.                                  | %   |       |  |
| Restricted:           | 469  |     | 338     |     | 400       |     | 317   |     | 589       |     | 223    |     | 39  |     | 2,375                                |     |       |  |
| Hispanic/Latino       | 96   | 20% | 60      | 18% | 91        | 23% | 25    | 8%  | 40        | 7%  | 46     | 21% | 6   | 15% | 364                                  | 15% |       |  |
| Not Hispanic/Latino   | 353  | 75% | 222     | 66% | 292       | 73% | 277   | 87% | 528       | 90% | 164    | 74% | 29  | 74% | 1,865                                | 79% |       |  |
| Unspecified           | 20   | 4%  | 56      | 17% | 17        | 4%  | 15    | 5%  | 21        | 4%  | 13     | 6%  | 4   | 10% | 146                                  | 6%  |       |  |
| Unrestricted:         | 520  |     | 348     |     | 291       |     | 320   |     | 488       |     | 179    |     | 74  |     | 2,220                                |     |       |  |
| Hispanic/Latino       | 128  | 25% | 45      | 13% | 84        | 29% | 21    | 7%  | 60        | 12% | 36     | 20% | 6   | 8%  | 380                                  | 17% |       |  |
| Not Hispanic/Latino   | 391  | 75% | 300     | 86% | 202       | 69% | 294   | 92% | 417       | 85% | 141    | 79% | 68  | 92% | 1,813                                | 82% |       |  |
| Unspecified           | 1    | *   | 3       | 1%  | 5         | 2%  | 5     | 2%  | 11        | 2%  | 2      | 1%  | --- | --- | 27                                   | 1%  |       |  |
| Total                 | 989  |     | 686     |     | 691       |     | 637   |     | 1,077     |     | 402    |     | 113 |     | 4,595                                |     |       |  |

Note: The summation of relative percentages may not equal 100% due to rounding-off.

<sup>(1)</sup> Includes kinship and child specific (restricted) homes as well as unrestricted homes.<sup>(2)</sup> Licensed private adoption agencies that contract with DSS to provide case management services.

**TABLE 12C. PROFILE OF FOSTER HOMES BY MARITAL STATUS AND DSS REGION: FY'2006, End of 2ND QUARTER (12/31/05) <sup>(1)</sup>**

| Provider<br>Status | DSS Geographic Region |     |         |     |           |     |       |     |           |     |        |     | Adoption<br>Contracts <sup>(2)</sup> |     | Total |     |
|--------------------|-----------------------|-----|---------|-----|-----------|-----|-------|-----|-----------|-----|--------|-----|--------------------------------------|-----|-------|-----|
|                    | West                  |     | Central |     | Northeast |     | Metro |     | Southeast |     | Boston |     |                                      |     |       |     |
|                    | No.                   | %   | No.     | %   | No.       | %   | No.   | %   | No.       | %   | No.    | %   | No.                                  | %   | No.   | %   |
| Restricted:        | 484                   |     | 305     |     | 409       |     | 325   |     | 619       |     | 238    |     | 31                                   |     | 2,411 |     |
| Married            | 252                   | 52% | 169     | 55% | 220       | 54% | 165   | 51% | 345       | 56% | 83     | 35% | 19                                   | 61% | 1,253 | 52% |
| Single             | 118                   | 24% | 81      | 27% | 111       | 27% | 92    | 28% | 146       | 24% | 109    | 46% | 9                                    | 29% | 666   | 28% |
| Divorced           | 68                    | 14% | 36      | 12% | 39        | 10% | 43    | 13% | 68        | 11% | 24     | 10% | 1                                    | 3%  | 279   | 12% |
| Separated          | 23                    | 5%  | 12      | 4%  | 21        | 5%  | 6     | 2%  | 26        | 4%  | 16     | 7%  | 2                                    | 6%  | 106   | 4%  |
| Widowed            | 19                    | 4%  | 6       | 2%  | 13        | 3%  | 14    | 4%  | 26        | 4%  | 5      | 2%  | ---                                  | --- | 83    | 3%  |
| Unrestricted:      | 508                   |     | 331     |     | 314       |     | 278   |     | 492       |     | 174    |     | 99                                   |     | 2,196 |     |
| Married            | 306                   | 60% | 244     | 74% | 176       | 56% | 154   | 55% | 328       | 67% | 51     | 29% | 72                                   | 73% | 1,331 | 61% |
| Single             | 89                    | 18% | 45      | 14% | 82        | 26% | 77    | 28% | 76        | 15% | 81     | 47% | 23                                   | 23% | 473   | 22% |
| Divorced           | 69                    | 14% | 32      | 10% | 30        | 10% | 31    | 11% | 53        | 11% | 22     | 13% | 4                                    | 4%  | 241   | 11% |
| Widowed            | 23                    | 5%  | 3       | 1%  | 12        | 4%  | 12    | 4%  | 24        | 5%  | 8      | 5%  | ---                                  | --- | 82    | 4%  |
| Separated          | 21                    | 4%  | 7       | 2%  | 13        | 4%  | 4     | 1%  | 11        | 2%  | 11     | 6%  | ---                                  | --- | 67    | 3%  |
| Unspecified        | ---                   | --- | ---     | --- | 1         | *   | ---   | --- | ---       | --- | 1      | 1%  | ---                                  | --- | 2     | *   |
| Total              | 992                   |     | 636     |     | 723       |     | 603   |     | 1,111     |     | 412    |     | 130                                  |     | 4,607 |     |

Note: The summation of relative percentages may not equal 100% due to rounding-off.

\* = Less than 1% after rounding-off

<sup>(1)</sup> Includes kinship and child specific (restricted) homes as well as unrestricted homes.

<sup>(2)</sup> Licensed private adoption agencies that contract with DSS to provide case management services.

## **Child Maltreatment Reports, Investigations, and DA Referrals**

### **Reports**

- Statewide, 18,161 reports were recorded during the 2<sup>nd</sup> Quarter of FY'2007. Sixty-two percent of the reports were screened-in for investigation. Seven percent of all reports were screened-in as emergencies. **(Table 13)**
- Among regions, reports of child maltreatment were most numerous in the West (3,644) and Southeast (2,622). The Judge Baker Children's Center (hotline) recorded 3,754 reports. Regional screen-in rates ranged from 53% in Metro to 67% in the Northeast. The screen-in rate at the Judge Baker Children's Center was 71%. **(Table 13 and Fig. 18)**
- The DSS Regions screened-in 1-3% of all reports as emergencies. In contrast, emergency screen-ins accounted for 25% of the reports received by the Judge Baker Children's Center Hotline. **(Table 13)**
- Statewide, reports rose 13% from the 1<sup>st</sup> Quarter to the 2<sup>nd</sup> Quarter of FY'2007. Regional changes ranged from 9% in the Southeast to 27% in Metro. Typically, report counts decline during the summer quarter (Q1) then rise during the school year quarters (Q2-Q4). **(Fig. 20)**

### **Investigations**

- The number of investigations completed during the 2<sup>nd</sup> Quarter of FY'2007 was 9,938.<sup>1</sup> Fifty-eight percent of the investigations resulted in a supported finding. **(Table 14)**
- The Southeast and West conducted more investigations (1,874 and 1,821, respectively) than the other regions. Regional support rates went from a low of 50% in the Northeast to a high of 60% in Boston. Judge Baker staff achieved the highest support rate: 72% of the completed investigations (all emergencies) were supported. **(Table 14, Fig. 19)**

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<sup>1</sup> The number of investigations is lower than the number of screened-in reports. This occurs because an investigation may be associated to multiple reports on the same incident or by reports received on separate but closely occurring incidents.

- The Northeastern Region had the highest screen-in rate (67%) and the lowest support rate (50%). Conversely, the Metro Region had the lowest screen-in rate (53%) and the second highest support rate (59%). (**Table 14, Fig. 19**)
- Statewide, investigations increased 16% from the 1<sup>st</sup> Quarter to the 2<sup>nd</sup> Quarter of FY'2007. Over the same period, regional changes in investigations ranged from 7% in the Southeast to 28% in Boston. (**Fig. 21**)

**TABLE 13. CHILD ABUSE/NEGLECT REPORTS BY DSS REGION: FY'2007, 2ND QUARTER (10/1/06 - 12/31/06)**

| DSS Geographic Region         | Screening Decision |     |               |     |           |     | Total  |      |
|-------------------------------|--------------------|-----|---------------|-----|-----------|-----|--------|------|
|                               | Screened Out       |     | Screened-In   |     |           |     |        |      |
|                               |                    |     | Non-Emergency |     | Emergency |     | No.    | %    |
|                               | No.                | %   | No.           | %   | No.       | %   |        |      |
| West                          | 1,607              | 44% | 1,976         | 54% | 61        | 2%  | 3,644  | 20%  |
| Central                       | 1,001              | 45% | 1,186         | 53% | 51        | 2%  | 2,238  | 12%  |
| Northeast                     | 765                | 33% | 1,537         | 66% | 33        | 1%  | 2,335  | 13%  |
| Metro                         | 930                | 47% | 1,039         | 52% | 18        | 1%  | 1,987  | 11%  |
| Southeast                     | 996                | 38% | 1,555         | 59% | 71        | 3%  | 2,622  | 14%  |
| Boston                        | 553                | 35% | 984           | 63% | 27        | 2%  | 1,564  | 9%   |
| Judge Baker Children's Center | 1,078              | 29% | 1,726         | 46% | 950       | 25% | 3,754  | 21%  |
| Special Investigations        | 3                  | 18% | 14            | 82% | ---       | --- | 17     | *    |
| Total                         | 6,933              | 38% | 10,017        | 55% | 1,211     | 7%  | 18,161 | 100% |

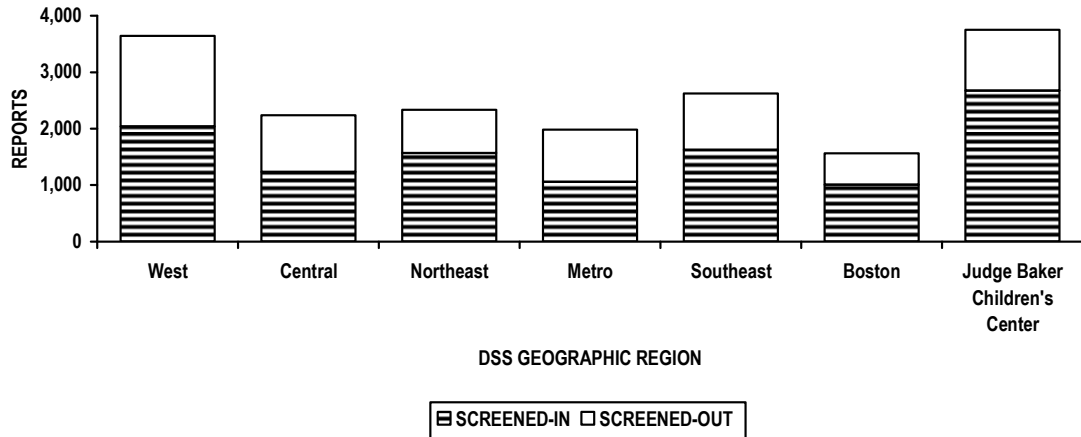
\* = Less than 1% after rounding-off

**TABLE 14. CHILD ABUSE/NEGLECT INVESTIGATIONS BY DSS REGION: FY'2007, 2ND QUARTER (10/1/06 - 12/31/06)**

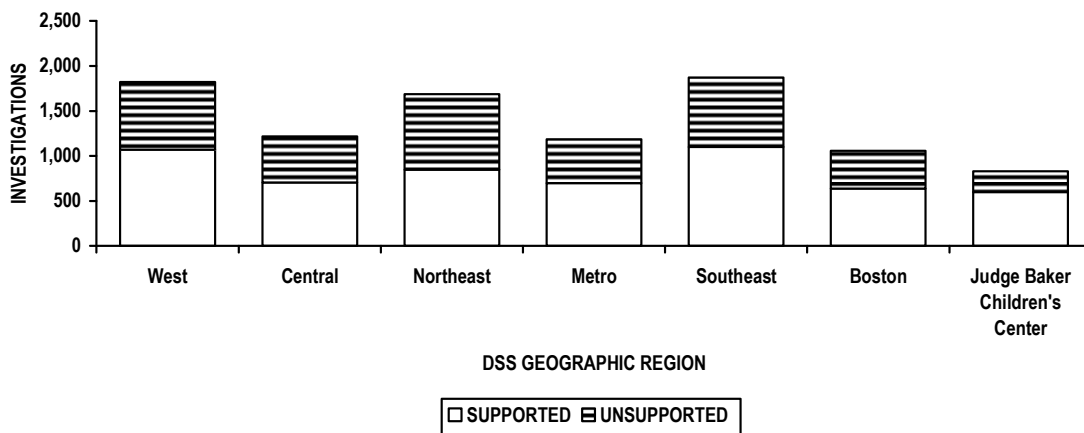
| DSS Geographic Region         | Investigation Decision |     |             |     | Total |      |
|-------------------------------|------------------------|-----|-------------|-----|-------|------|
|                               | Supported              |     | Unsupported |     |       |      |
|                               | No.                    | %   | No.         | %   | No.   | %    |
| West                          | 1,068                  | 59% | 753         | 41% | 1,821 | 18%  |
| Central                       | 705                    | 58% | 514         | 42% | 1,219 | 12%  |
| Northeast                     | 848                    | 50% | 841         | 50% | 1,689 | 17%  |
| Metro                         | 698                    | 59% | 487         | 41% | 1,185 | 12%  |
| Southeast                     | 1,100                  | 59% | 774         | 41% | 1,874 | 19%  |
| Boston                        | 639                    | 60% | 420         | 40% | 1,059 | 11%  |
| Judge Baker Children's Center | 600                    | 72% | 230         | 28% | 830   | 8%   |
| Special Investigations        | 91                     | 35% | 170         | 65% | 261   | 3%   |
| Total                         | 5,749                  | 58% | 4,189       | 42% | 9,938 | 100% |

Note: The summation of relative percentages may not equal 100% due to rounding-off.

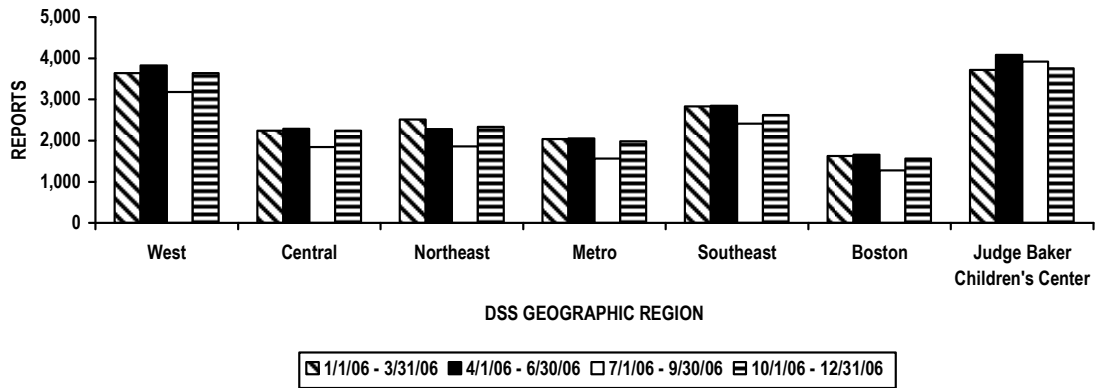
**FIGURE 18. CHILD ABUSE/NEGLECT REPORTS  
(SCREENING DECISION BY DSS REGION)  
FY'2007, 2ND QUARTER (10/1/06 - 12/31/06)**



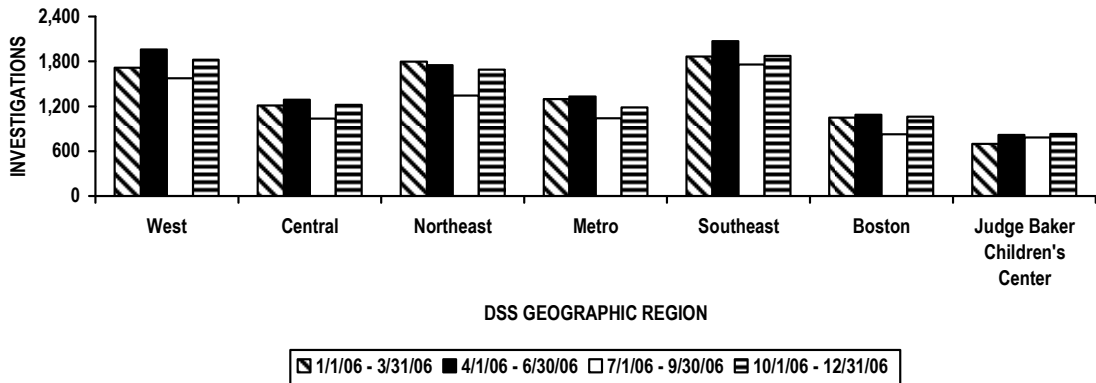
**FIGURE 19. CHILD ABUSE/NEGLECT INVESTIGATIONS  
(INVESTIGATION DECISION BY DSS REGION)  
FY'2007, 2ND QUARTER (10/1/06 - 12/31/06)**



**FIGURE 20. CHILD ABUSE/NEGLECT REPORTS BY DSS REGION  
(FY'2006, 3RD QUARTER - FY'2007, 2ND QUARTER)**



**FIGURE 21. CHILD ABUSE/NEGLECT INVESTIGATIONS BY DSS REGION  
(FY'2006, 3RD QUARTER - FY'2007, 2ND QUARTER)**





## DA Referrals

- During the 2<sup>nd</sup> Quarter of FY'2007, 1,183 cases were referred to District Attorneys (DAs) (See table below). Forty-nine percent of case referrals to DAs were mandatory referrals<sup>1</sup> and 51% were discretionary referrals<sup>2</sup> (**Fig. 22**).

### Case Referrals\*

| Date      | Mandatory |     | Discretionary |     | Total |
|-----------|-----------|-----|---------------|-----|-------|
|           | No.       | %   | No.           | %   | No.   |
| FY'01, Q3 | 380       | 43% | 504           | 57% | 884   |
| FY'01, Q4 | 435       | 48% | 468           | 52% | 903   |
| FY'02, Q1 | 341       | 46% | 403           | 54% | 744   |
| FY'02, Q2 | 421       | 45% | 507           | 55% | 928   |
| FY'02, Q3 | 443       | 42% | 614           | 58% | 1,057 |
| FY'02, Q4 | 494       | 45% | 616           | 55% | 1,110 |
| FY'03, Q1 | 477       | 46% | 555           | 54% | 1,032 |
| FY'03, Q2 | 488       | 48% | 530           | 52% | 1,018 |
| FY'03, Q3 | 525       | 46% | 611           | 54% | 1,136 |
| FY'03, Q4 | 599       | 49% | 614           | 51% | 1,213 |
| FY'04, Q1 | 527       | 52% | 489           | 48% | 1,016 |
| FY'04, Q2 | 489       | 45% | 586           | 55% | 1,075 |
| FY'04, Q3 | 527       | 45% | 655           | 55% | 1,182 |
| FY'04, Q4 | 558       | 45% | 669           | 55% | 1,227 |
| FY'05, Q1 | 500       | 49% | 518           | 51% | 1,018 |
| FY'05, Q2 | 500       | 45% | 603           | 55% | 1,103 |
| FY'05, Q3 | 575       | 47% | 637           | 53% | 1,212 |
| FY'05, Q4 | 547       | 44% | 701           | 56% | 1,248 |
| FY'06, Q1 | 490       | 44% | 614           | 56% | 1,104 |
| FY'06, Q2 | 509       | 44% | 659           | 56% | 1,168 |
| FY'06, Q3 | 518       | 44% | 651           | 56% | 1,169 |
| FY'06, Q4 | 560       | 43% | 742           | 57% | 1,302 |
| FY'07, Q1 | 532       | 49% | 554           | 51% | 1,086 |
| FY'07, Q2 | 577       | 49% | 606           | 51% | 1,183 |

- Sexual abuse accounted for 84% of the reasons for mandatory case referrals<sup>3</sup> during the 2<sup>nd</sup> Quarter of FY'2007 (**Fig. 23, Table 15** on following pages). Fifteen percent of the case referral reasons were for serious physical abuse.

<sup>1</sup> Mandatory referrals to District Attorneys (and local law enforcement authorities) are made following a DSS investigation that results in a supported report of severe child maltreatment (sexual abuse, severe physical abuse, or death). Mandatory referrals are also made when a maltreatment report is either screened-out or unsupported, on the basis that the alleged perpetrator did not meet the definition of caretaker, but the allegations match one of the aforementioned maltreatment categories.

<sup>2</sup> There are two categories of discretionary referrals: (1) DSS may immediately report cases of serious physical injury to the District Attorney; or (2) DSS may refer other matters involving possible criminal conduct (including but not limited to cases of abuse or neglect) to the District Attorney, regardless of whether the maltreatment report is supported or unsupported.

<sup>3</sup> **A mandatory case referral may include more than one reason** (i.e., more than one type of abuse).

- Table 16 (on page 56) displays a breakdown of case referrals by type and county. In general, the number of referrals was directly related to the population size<sup>1</sup> for the county. Referral counts were highest for the most populous counties, Middlesex, Worcester, Essex, and Suffolk. Based on a comparison of county population estimates, Hampden (encompassing city of Springfield) and Berkshire Counties had higher numbers of referrals than expected. Norfolk County had a lower number of referrals than expected.

### Reasons for Mandatory Referrals

| <i>Date</i> | <b>Sexual Abuse</b> |     | <b>Physical Abuse</b> |     | <i>Death</i> <sup>2</sup> |    | <b>Total</b> |
|-------------|---------------------|-----|-----------------------|-----|---------------------------|----|--------------|
|             | No.                 | %   | No.                   | %   | No.                       | %  | No.          |
| FY'01, Q3   | 303                 | 75% | 91                    | 23% | 8                         | 2% | 402          |
| FY'01, Q4   | 346                 | 77% | 102                   | 23% | 3                         | 1% | 451          |
| FY'02, Q1   | 295                 | 83% | 57                    | 16% | 5                         | 1% | 357          |
| FY'02, Q2   | 329                 | 75% | 107                   | 24% | 5                         | 1% | 441          |
| FY'02, Q3   | 361                 | 78% | 90                    | 20% | 9                         | 2% | 460          |
| FY'02, Q4   | 398                 | 78% | 111                   | 22% | 3                         | 1% | 512          |
| FY'03, Q1   | 409                 | 82% | 84                    | 17% | 8                         | 2% | 501          |
| FY'03, Q2   | 412                 | 82% | 88                    | 18% | --                        | -- | 500          |
| FY'03, Q3   | 412                 | 76% | 123                   | 23% | 6                         | 1% | 541          |
| FY'03, Q4   | 455                 | 73% | 166                   | 27% | 5                         | 1% | 626          |
| FY'04, Q1   | 459                 | 83% | 87                    | 16% | 9                         | 2% | 555          |
| FY'04, Q2   | 385                 | 76% | 114                   | 23% | 5                         | 1% | 504          |
| FY'04, Q3   | 414                 | 76% | 127                   | 23% | 6                         | 1% | 547          |
| FY'04, Q4   | 455                 | 78% | 122                   | 21% | 6                         | 1% | 583          |
| FY'05, Q1   | 412                 | 80% | 97                    | 19% | 4                         | 1% | 513          |
| FY'05, Q2   | 398                 | 77% | 113                   | 22% | 5                         | 1% | 516          |
| FY'05, Q3   | 461                 | 79% | 124                   | 21% | 2                         | *  | 587          |
| FY'05, Q4   | 444                 | 78% | 122                   | 21% | 2                         | *  | 568          |
| FY'06, Q1   | 432                 | 86% | 66                    | 13% | 5                         | 1% | 503          |
| FY'06, Q2   | 432                 | 81% | 99                    | 19% | 3                         | 1% | 534          |
| FY'06, Q3   | 445                 | 83% | 82                    | 15% | 7                         | 1% | 534          |
| FY'06, Q4   | 473                 | 82% | 95                    | 16% | 11                        | 2% | 579          |
| FY'07, Q1   | 472                 | 85% | 78                    | 14% | 7                         | 1% | 557          |
| FY'07, Q2   | 503                 | 84% | 90                    | 15% | 5                         | 1% | 598          |

\* = less than 1% after rounding-off

<sup>1</sup> County population estimates for 2005 (<http://www.census.gov/popest/counties/tables/CO-EST2005-01-25.CSV>).

<sup>2</sup> Not all DA referrals resulting from an allegation that a child's death was due to abuse or neglect lead to an ultimate finding that the death was in fact due to abuse or neglect. DSS publishes an annual report of child fatalities that includes an analysis of child deaths due to abuse or neglect.

FIGURE 22. TYPE OF CASE REFERRAL (Case Count)

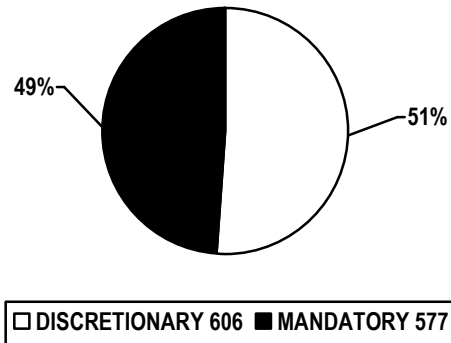
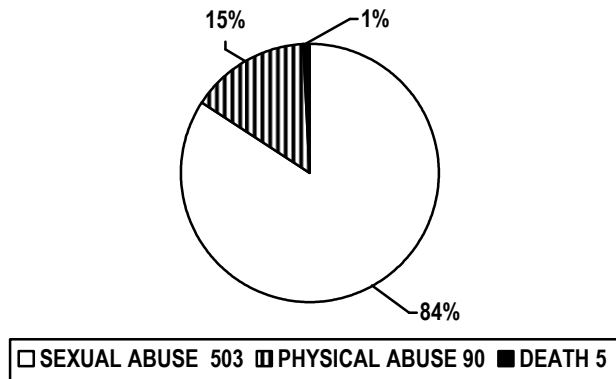


FIGURE 23. REASON FOR MANDATORY REFERRALS (Reason Count)



NOTE: A case referral may include more than one reason (more than one type of maltreatment).

**TABLE 15. REASONS FOR MANDATORY CASE REFERRALS TO DISTRICT ATTORNEYS:  
FY'2007, 2ND QUARTER (10/1/06 - 12/31/06)**

| Nature of Abuse                              | Reasons    |             |
|--|------------|-------------|
|  | No.        | %           |
| <b>Sexual Abuse:</b>                         | <b>503</b> | <b>84%</b>  |
| Sexual Assault                               | 467        |             |
| Sexual Exploitation                          | 36         |             |
| .....  |            |             |
| <b>Serious Physical Abuse:</b>               | <b>90</b>  | <b>15%</b>  |
| .....  |            |             |
| <b>Death:</b>                                | <b>5</b>   | <b>1%</b>   |
| .....  |            |             |
| <b>Total Reasons for Mandatory Referrals</b> | <b>598</b> | <b>100%</b> |

**TABLE 16. CASE REFERRALS BY TYPE AND COUNTY:<sup>(1)</sup> FY'2007, 2ND QUARTER (10/1/06 - 12/31/06)**

| County <sup>(2)</sup> | Case Referrals |     |           |     | Total<br>No. | 2005<br>Population<br>Estimates |
|-----------------------|----------------|-----|-----------|-----|--------------|---------------------------------|
|                       | Discretionary  |     | Mandatory |     |              |                                 |
|                       | No.            | %   | No.       | %   |              |                                 |
| Essex                 | 138            | 52% | 125       | 48% | 263          | 738,301                         |
| Middlesex             | 112            | 60% | 75        | 40% | 187          | 1,459,011                       |
| Worcester             | 82             | 46% | 97        | 54% | 179          | 783,262                         |
| Suffolk               | 92             | 58% | 67        | 42% | 159          | 654,428                         |
| Hampden               | 57             | 57% | 43        | 43% | 100          | 461,591                         |
| Bristol               | 14             | 20% | 55        | 80% | 69           | 546,331                         |
| Plymouth              | 24             | 35% | 45        | 65% | 69           | 492,409                         |
| Berkshire             | 29             | 56% | 23        | 44% | 52           | 131,868                         |
| Norfolk               | 22             | 65% | 12        | 35% | 34           | 653,595                         |
| Franklin              | 12             | 57% | 9         | 43% | 21           | 72,334                          |
| Hampshire             | 6              | 33% | 12        | 67% | 18           | 153,339                         |
| Barnstable            | 10             | 67% | 5         | 33% | 15           | 226,514                         |
| Dukes                 | 2              | 50% | 2         | --- | 4            | 15,592                          |
| Nantucket             | 1              | 50% | 1         | --- | 2            | 10,168                          |
| OUT OF STATE          | 5              | 45% | 6         | 55% | 11           | ---                             |
| Total                 | 606            |     | 577       |     | 1,183        | 6,398,743                       |

<sup>(1)</sup> DA referrals approved during the Quarter.

<sup>(2)</sup> County where the child resides.